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On and after February 15th, 1899, five cents on every dollar fees will be collected. On and after July 15th, 1899, eight per cent. per annum interest penalty will be collected from this date, on all sums of assessments remaining unpaid.

Dated January 12th, 1899.

By order of the Common Council.

52d11t I. B. A. TAYLOR, Collector.

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Children's Bazaar,

116 NORTH ST. Everything sold to the highest bidder. Millinery, muslin underwear, white and colored aprons and everything in children's wear. Dolls and doll clothes, toys and fancy articles, books, school supplies and stationery, ladies' and children's underwear, children's hand-made night shirts and drawers, children's hand-made dresses and cloaks, paper and envelopes, pens and inks, also a large assortment of school pads, a fine line of ladies' and misses' fancy work baskets. JOHN FERGUSON,
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Balance For the Year Shows on the Right Side.

SIX MILLION DOLLARS IN OUR FAVOR

The Annual Report of the Bureau of Statistics Makes a Gratifying Exhibit of the Prosperity of the United States During 1898.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—During the calendar year 1898 the United States exported $621,260,535 more of merchandise of all sorts than it imported, or a gain in excess of exports over 1897 of $264,145,719. These enormous figures represent the balance in our favor shown by the official figures just issued by the bureau of statistics for the year 1898. The bureau's statement covers the month of December and the year 1898. It shows that our exports for 1898 were $1,254,925,169 and our imports $633,664,634, of which $267,797,915 came in free of duty. The statement makes comparisons with our trade for the five years immediately preceding the past, the largest export reports for any of these years being $1,099,709,044 in 1897 and the smallest $824,860,136 in 1897. The only other billion export year was in 1896, when we exported $1,005,837,241. The imports for 1895 were the smallest in any of the six years compared, being $633,664,634 against $742,595,229 in 1897 and $801,669,347 in 1895, when the exports were the largest for the past six years.

For the month of December, 1898, our exports of merchandise aggregated $137,247,448 and our imports $53,821,489, of which $20,927,687 came in free of duty, leaving an excess of exports over imports of $83,425,959 as compared with an excess of $73,547,998 in December, 1897. The imports of gold for December, 1898, were $8,639,882 and the exports $1,219,638, an excess of gold imports of $7,420,244 as compared with an excess of imports of $2,004,409 in December, 1897. For the year 1898 the gold imports were $158,036,252 and the exports $16,194,954, or an excess of gold imports in 1898 of $141,841,298 as compared with an excess of gold exports in 1897 of $255,809. The silver imports for December, 1898, were $3,108,421 and the exports $5,827,698, an excess of silver exports for the month of $2,719,277 as compared with an excess of silver exports for December, 1897, of $3,081,744. For the year 1898 the imports of silver were $29,029,724 and the exports $53,797,104, an excess of silver exports of $24,767,380 as compared with an excess of silver exports in 1897 of $35,572,990.

Dr. Hillis Called to Plymouth.

BROOKLYN, Jan. 17.—A meeting of Plymouth church was held last night to consider the report of the advisory committee recommending the acceptance of the resignation of the Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott as pastor and the choice of the Rev. Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis of the Central church, Chicago, as his successor. Mr. Henry O. Pratt was elected moderator. The attendance was much smaller than was expected, for out of the 1,828 members on the roll of the church only 255 were present. Fully two-thirds of these were women. The call to Dr. Hillis was not given with the absolute unanimity which was anticipated, the 255 votes being distributed as follows: For Dr. Hillis, 246; against, 6; blank, 3.

No Liquor With Meals on Sunday.

ALBANY, Jan. 17.—Senator John Raines will soon introduce a bill which will, if enacted, place hotels on the same plane with saloons so far as the selling of liquors on Sunday is concerned. It will, in fact, prohibit the Sunday sale of liquor altogether. Under the present law hotels are allowed to sell liquors with meals on Sunday, and within a quarter of a mile of polling places on election days. Senator Raines' bill provides that these exceptions shall be removed. Senator Raines said last night that the enactment of such a stringent measure is necessitated by the abuse of privileges which have been extended to hotels in allowing them to sell liquor on Sunday.

California Senatorial Fight.

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 17.—Sixteen ballots have been taken by the legislature in joint session for the election of a United States senator without result. The last ballot was practically the same as the first, and there is no indication that the deadlock will be broken within the next few days. The sixteenth ballot resulted as follows: U. S. Grant, Jr., 26; D. M. Burns, 24; W. H. L. Barnes, 10; R. N. Bulla, 9; scattering, 12.

May Save the Colon.

SANTIAGO, Cuba, Jan. 17.—Representatives of a Norwegian wrecking company have examined the wrecks of the Spanish warships in order to see if it is possible to raise them. They consider that the Colon might possibly be floated, but they are doubtful in the case of the Almirante Oquendo. The Merritt-Chapman Wrecking company is making headway on the wreck of the Reina Mercedes.

Their First Dividend.

SOUTH FRAMINGHAM, Mass., Jan. 17.—The receivers of the Framingham Savings bank, P. H. Cooney and Arthur V. Harrington, have begun paying a 50 per cent dividend to depositors, the first since the bank failed. The dividend amounts to $413,000, and the depositors number 2,700.

Senator Frye Improving.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Senator Frye, who is suffering with a cold, is better, but is still confined to his room, which, it is thought, he will not be able to leave for several days.

New Bank In St. Louis.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—The comptroller of the currency yesterday approved an application for authority to organize the State National bank of St. Louis; capital, $2,000,000.

THE PHILIPPINE COMMISSION.

Will Not Be Subject to Confirmation by the Senate—What It Will Do.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—The commission which the president is about to appoint to proceed to the Philippines will not be subject to the confirmation of the United States senate, but will be named under reserved authority of the president, and its expenses will be paid out of the war appropriations. It is not expected to commit the United States government to recognition of the independence of the natives, nor is it to frame a scheme of government for the islands, as was the case with the Hawaiian commission. Undoubtedly, however, the commissioners will unofficially confer with the natives and advise with the military authorities, it being felt here that men of their experience and qualifications will be valuable counselors in the conditions now existing.

It is believed that the natives can be kept from hostilities until the arrival of the commission at Manila, and then it is hoped that the best results will follow the visit, including the reassurance of the natives upon many points as to which they are now doubtful. It will be perceived also that by the appointment of the commission the president is granting the appeal of some of the best Filipinos, who are confident that both sides will be enlightened by its creation and declare that the United States government will be shown that the ability of the Filipinos for government has been underestimated, while the Filipinos themselves will be induced to have patience before insisting upon instant self government.

THE LAST SAD RITES.

Simple but Impressive Ceremonies Over the Remains of Mr. Dingley.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—The remains of the late Nelson Dingley, congressional representative from Maine, who died Friday night, were conveyed early yesterday morning to the hall of the house of representatives and there given a state funeral almost majestic in its impressiveness.

The president, his cabinet, distinguished members of the diplomatic corps, members of the supreme court, senate and house and distinguished men in military and civil life were ranged about his bier on the floor of the hall, while the galleries, to which admission could be obtained only by card, were occupied by the families of those who sat upon the floor and other prominent personages invited to be present.

The services were conducted by the Rev. S. M. Newman of the First Congregational church of this city, assisted by Rev. Dr. Couden, chaplain of the house. They were very simple. At 4:20 the funeral party left Washington en route for Lewiston, Me., where the remains of the dead congressman will be laid to rest.

Princetonians Against New Railway.

PRINCETON, N. J., Jan. 17.—Some excitement was caused at Princeton when it became known that the Princeton and Trenton Traction company had been incorporated at Trenton with the object of running an electric line into Princeton. For some years the faculty of Princeton university has waged a successful warfare against the New York and Philadelphia Traction company and the Trenton Passenger Railroad company, both of which were anxious to connect Princeton and Trenton by trolley lines. It is feared by those who are opposed to the granting of a franchise which would connect the Jersey capital and the university city that the members of the city council lean favorably toward the innovation.

North Carolina Opposes Roberts.

RALEIGH, Jan. 17.—In the house of representatives of the general assembly Mr. Patton of Caldwell county offered a resolution protesting against the seating of Congressman Elect B. H. Roberts of Utah. The resolution calls upon the senators and representatives in congress from North Carolina not only to oppose the seating of Mr. Roberts, but to pass a law covering all such cases in the future.

Elks' Chaplain Dies.

CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—Rev. Henry G. Perry, grand chaplain of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and well known in Masonic circles, died in this city yesterday. Deceased had been ill with arterial schlerosis for more than a week and a sudden attack of grip led to complications which resulted in death.

Fatal Coasting Accident.

SCRANTON, Pa., Jan. 17.—Jennie Joyce, 5 years old, was killed and her brother Thomas, 3 years old, was injured in a coasting accident yesterday. Their sled ran into a trolley car. The girl's head was crushed beyond recognition, and her body was horribly mutilated. One of the boy's legs was fractured.

A. F. Copeland For Trainer at Yale.

NEW HAVEN, Jan. 17.—Announcement is made that Manager Magee of the Yale University Track Athletic association has signed A. F. Copeland of New York, the prominent Manhattan Athletic club athlete, as trainer of the Yale track team. He has wired his acceptance and will begin his work at Yale immediately. The choice is a popular one at the university, and much is hoped from the introduction of a new man in the athletic sphere of Yale life.

To Confer With McKinley.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 17.—The three emissaries of Aguinaldo who arrived on Thursday have departed for Washington, where they will confer with President McKinley regarding the government of the Philippines.

The Hebrides For France.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—The Morning Post, in an editorial dealing with the French shore question in Newfoundland, suggests that, if the Australian colonies are agreeable, France might be permitted to annex the New Hebrides as compensation for relinquishing her shore rights.

CLEANING THE CITY.

A Crusade Against Dirt Has Begun In Havana.

SANITARY REGULATIONS PREVAIL.

A Thousand People Now Engaged In Cleaning the Streets and Public Buildings—Old Residents Object to the Unusual Proceedings.

HAVANA, Jan. 17.—The colossal task of putting into proper sanitary condition every dwelling in Havana began yesterday, Surgeon Major Davis hiring 100 resident physicians for a house to house inspection to compel abedience to the new regulations. All cesspools under houses are to be closed and sealed. Garbage is to be removed daily. It is expected that the city will be in a fairly sanitary condition within three months without underground sewerage. The old residents regard the new health regulations as unnecessary and meddlesome, and even some well to do and well informed persons, when making their objections, describe themselves as "healthy enough." A thousand people are engaged in the work of cleaning the streets and public buildings.

Captain Huston of the Second engineers, who was assigned to this service, is reported sick with a slow fever. There are two more cases of smallpox in the One Hundred and Sixty-first regiment, making five in all, and there is one case of suspected yellow fever in the First Texas regiment. The man has been isolated. It is a favorite trick of the soldiers when escaping from camp without leave to hire Cuban uniforms so as to pass the sentries. Sometimes the clothing has been exposed to infection, and the usual results follow. Nevertheless, there is so little sickness among the United States troops that 20 female nurses out of 100 originally employed have been dismissed.

The testimony in the trial of Private Joseph Buckley, Company E, Second Louisiana volunteers, for the killing of Private John D. Hughes of the same company on Jan. 7 is closed, and the court martial will consider its verdict today.

The United States armored cruiser Brooklyn has arrived from Key West with United States Assistant Secretary of the Navy Charles H. Allen on board. The forts saluted the cruiser.

General Arnold arrived yesterday to take command of the Second division of the Seventh army corps.

Crane to Be Acting President.

ITHACA, N. Y., Jan. 17.—It is announced that the board of trustees of Cornell university will appoint T. E. Crane, present dean of the faculty of arts and sciences, to perform the duties of President J. G. Schurman during the latter's absence in the Philippine Islands. Professor Crane is one of the oldest professors at Cornell and was a member of the original faculty. At present he holds the position of professor of the romance languages. He is thoroughly familiar with the workings of the president's office and well fitted to perform its duties. President Schurman's leave of absence will extend to Jan. 1, 1900.

Admiral Sampson's Squadron.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—The navy department has designated the following warships to form the squadron of evolution which is to go south under direct command of Admiral Sampson: Flagship New York, Brooklyn, Indiana, Texas, Chicago, Newark and Machias. They will be accompanied by the following named colliers and supply ships: Mariellus, Lebanon and Supply. The ships are ordered to be at Havana prior to the 1st of February next. The Brooklyn arrived at Havana yesterday with Assistant Secretary Allen aboard.

No Clew to the Murder.

LYNN CREEK, Mo., Jan. 17.—The authorities are unable to find a clew sufficient to justify an arrest in the case of George W. Anderson and Lizzie Wisebach, who were found murdered with an ax in their home three miles east of here Friday night. Hogs had mutilated the body of the woman. Money and other valuables found on the body of Anderson indicate that the motive for the crime was not robbery. Anderson was a member of the notorious Quantrell band during the war and had the reputation of being a "bad" man.

Postmasters Appointed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—The following fourth class postmasters have been appointed: Connecticut—Poquetanuck, James E. Mitchell. New Jersey—Spottswood, Joseph Hodapp, Sr. New York—East Virgil, W. V. Foster; Short Tract, William Hall; West Walworth, William J. Billis. Pennsylvania—Kossuth, M. L. Weaver; Raughts, J. W. Donahey; West Pikeland, M. S. Powell; Wingate, Ella E. Wagner.

Moore In Sing Sing.

SING SING, Jan. 17.—William A. E. Moore, the convicted badger, reached Sing Sing prison yesterday afternoon and is now wearing the state convict's uniform. He comes here under sentence for 19 years. With allowances for good behavior he will be released in 11 years and 9 months. He will then be about 46 years old. Throughout the proceedings here he was calm and showed no emotion.

To Search For the Paul Jones.

MOBILE, Jan. 17.—Under orders from the treasury department at Washington the revenue cutter Winona has left here to search the gulf coast for the missing pleasure yacht Paul Jones, now more than two weeks from New Orleans to Pensacola, Fla.

Vesuvius Very Active.

NAPLES, Jan. 17.—The eruption of Mount Vesuvius is attaining great proportions. The flow of lava is unprecedented, and streams of fire are pouring in all directions, though as yet no serious damage has occurred.

A DEADLOCK PROBABLE.

Indications That the Choice of a Successor to Gray Will Be Slow.

DOVER, Del., Jan. 17.—The Republican members of the legislature, who number 31 of the total membership of 52, did not agree last night upon a candidate for United States senator to succeed Senator Gray. The general assembly will begin to ballot for a senator today, and in the line of political procedure a caucus was arranged for last evening. The only Republicans who met, however, were the Union, or Addicks, Republicans, and 15 of these gathered in the house of representatives. It was rumored that several regular, or anti-Addicks, Republicans who favor the election of Colonel Henry A. Dupont would go into the caucus, but they did not do this. Factional lines were strictly drawn, and the regulars took no action whatever in the selection of a candidate.

The houses will vote separately, and the joint ballot of the assembly will begin tomorrow. Aside from the 15 Addicks votes it is expected that at least 11 regulars will vote for Dupont. A senatorial contest is anticipated. The Gray vote will be about 16. Inasmuch as it has been established that a "majority of the members present" can elect a senator, the deadlock which will undoubtedly occur may be broken before the end of the 60 days' session of the legislature.

FATHER CHINIQUY DEAD.

A Career of Great Activity and Excitement Ended.

MONTREAL, Jan. 17.—Father Chiniquy passed away peacefully yesterday morning. He died in the Protestant faith.

Charles Chiniquy, the "apostle of temperance," was born in Kamouraska, Que., July 30, 1809. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1833. In 1851 he visited Illinois, and in the following year the village of St. Anne was founded. Father Chiniquy and his superior bishop became involved in long drawn disputes, leading to legal action, in which the former was defended by Abraham Lincoln.

The quarrel was also carried to Rome and laid before the pope. In 1858 the entire village of St. Anne, with the exception of 15 families, withdrew from the orthodox church, and the dissenters later decided to become members of the Presbyterian church. On the 15th of April, 1860, the presbytery of Chicago adjourned their meeting from Chicago to St. Anne, where Father Chiniquy presented the names of nearly 2,000 converts, who were received into full communion.

Father Chiniquy then embarked upon a career which made him known around the world. In 1878 he visited the western states and afterward spent two years lecturing in Australia. In his lecturing tours he experienced many exciting incidents and narrow escapes. For 18 years he was kept a prisoner under bail as a criminal.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

The Harvard-Princeton debate will be held at Princeton on April 5.

The first piles for the United States pier at Triscornia, Cuba, were driven.

Another encouraging dispatch from General Otis, at Manila, was received in Washington.

The French steamer Versailles went ashore between Babia Honda and Cabanas, Cuba.

The nonarrival of 2,000 bales of raw cotton caused the Exeter mills, New Hampshire, to close.

The residence of Paul Parker, at Riceville, Ont., was destroyed and his wife and two children burned to death.

The censorship at Manila has been extended to all outward and homeward telegrams containing political news.

General Menocal and Captain McCullagh were examining 300 applicants for positions on the Havana police force.

Lieutenant B. F. Waite, who claims to be one of Colonel Roosevelt's Rough Riders, was arrested in Fall River for alleged horse stealing.

Appropriations Committee Work.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—The senate committee on appropriations yesterday concluded its consideration of the pension and the diplomatic and consular appropriation bills. They will be reported to the senate when that body convenes today. No change has been made in the pension bill. In the diplomatic and consular bill only one slight change has been made, the committee having inserted an amendment for an appropriation of $5,000 for an international conference on a catalogue of scientific literature.

No Choice In Montana.

HELENA, Mon., Jan. 17.—The second week of the senatorial contest opens with an expressed confidence on the part of both of the leading candidates. Many believe that Clark or Conrad will be elected this week. Following is the result of the vote yesterday: Conrad, 26; Clark, 25—a gain of two for Clark and a loss of one for the Daly man. Goddard received the Republican votes. Scattering, 16.

Kansas Loses a Pioneer.

LAWRENCE, Kan., Jan. 17.—Colonel S. W. Eldredge, one of the foremost men in early Kansas history, died at his home here yesterday, aged 82 years. In 1855 he was proprietor in Kansas City of a noted free state hostelry. In 1866 he purchased a hotel in Lawrence. For a time he acted as conductor for parties of New England free state emigrants coming to Kansas.

Plate Company Reduces Wages.

MIDDLETOWN, Conn., Jan. 17.—The Middletown Plate company, manufacturers of silver plated ware, have announced a general reduction in wages of about 12 per cent. The company employs about 300 hands and is one of the few concerns that is not a member of the International Silver trust. The managers claim that dull business forced them to it.

NO ACTION IN EAGAN CASE.

Secretary Alger Declines to State What War Department Will Do.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—In answer to a direct question Secretary Alger yesterday said that the war department had taken no action in the case of Commissary General Eagan, but when the inquiry was pursued he declined to say one word as to his intentions in the matter. It was apparent during the day that this matter was receiving attention, and in fact the commissary general himself spent some time closeted with the secretary. Three distinct lines of action were talked of as within the line of probability. The first was a strong letter of reprimand to be addressed by the president himself to General Eagan, stating that but for the immunity he had promised all witnesses before the commission he would have court martialed him. The second line was an actual court martial, while the third was a court of inquiry. The purpose of the latter would be, it was said, to place upon a military tribunal the responsibility for deciding whether or not General Eagan should be tried by a court martial.

Of course the court of inquiry might go a long way into the matters which led up to the attack contained in General Eagan's statement, possibly involving a determination as to the correctness of the charges touching the character of the army beef preferred by General Miles, though this would appear to be appointing a second tribunal to investigate the methods and results of the first, already engaged on that work.

Eagan Makes a Retraction.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Commissary General Eagan sent to the war investigating commission yesterday a revised statement in place of that originally made in response to General Miles' charges. The revised statement is about 35 per cent shorter than that which was ordered withdrawn because of its violent and abusive character. The commission, after its receipt, went into secret session to read the document and decide whether in its present form it had been expurgated sufficiently to permit it to be made a part of the records.

AMERICA IN THE FAR EAST.

Barrett Says Opponents of Expansion Do Not Understand Situation.

SHANGHAI, Jan. 17.—John Barrett, formerly United States minister to Siam, in an address before the Shanghai Chamber of Commerce yesterday on the question of American control of the Philippines, said he feared that the opponents at home of such control did not appreciate its vital importance to the extension of American commerce and influence in the far east, where immeasurable opportunities would otherwise be lost.

The failure to assume and maintain control, said Mr. Barrett, would forever relegate the United States to a secondary place in the Pacific. As for the difficulties of governing the archipelago, these had been much exaggerated. Aguinaldo and his followers could be pacified with a mixture of diplomacy and firmness; nor would the Monroe doctrine be violated, for the occupation of the Philippines by the United States was not a direct act of conquest, but the inevitable result of a war in which grave responsibilities had been unavoidable entailed.

Mr. Barrett emphasized the fact that the nations which, like England, were chiefly concerned approved of permanent American control and concluded with the remark that all nations interested could safely trust to the good judgment of President McKinley.

"Cyrano" Said to Be Stolen.

CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—Attorneys O. E. Bodington and H. A. Alexander of Paris have been authorized by the United States circuit court to take the deposition of Edmund Rostand, the author of "Cyrano de Bergerac," whose play is said to have been purloined from the "Merchant Prince of Cornville," written by S. E. Gross of Chicago.

Dynamite Wrecks a House.

PITTSVILLE, Wis., Jan. 17.—The farmhouse of Fayette Meacham, near this place, was blown to atoms by dynamite, killing Meacham and fatally injuring his wife and four children. Meacham had purchased the dynamite for blasting. How it became ignited is not known.

University Convocation.

ALBANY, Jan. 17.—The next annual convocation of the university of the state will be held in this city June 26 to 28. The annual address will be delivered by President Harper of the University of Chicago, who will speak on "Waste In Education."

The Missouri Senatorship.

JEFFERSON CITY, Jan. 17.—The legislature will ballot for United States senator at noon today. The Democrats have nominated F. K. Cockrell to succeed himself. The Republican candidate is National Committeeman Richard G. Kerns.

Educational Director at Paris.

ALBANY, Jan. 17.—Howard J. Rogers of this city, deputy United States superintendent of public instruction, has been appointed director of the department of education and social economy for the United States at the Paris exposition in 1900.

No Market For Zoological Gardens.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 17.—The Cincinnati zoological gardens were offered for sale yesterday by order of the court, the lowest price being fixed at $90,000. Not a bid was received, and the receiver will ask to have an appraisement made.

General Lawton Starts For Manila.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Major General Lawton called at the White House yesterday to pay his respects to the president before sailing for his command in the Philippines. He said he expected to leave Washington today.

New Material For Lipton's Yacht.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—The Times says this morning that the Shamrock, Sir Lipton's challenger, will be built of a new material that will make her the lightest yacht which has yet challenged for the America's cup.

Reputed Ashes of Columbus at Cadiz.

MADRID, Jan. 17.—The Spanish cruiser Conde de Venadito arrived yesterday at Cadiz from Havana with the reputed ashes of Columbus, which were transferred to the armed yacht Giralda for conveyance to Seville.

SANTIAGO CAMPAIGN

General Humphreys Tells War Board His Experience.

THE UNANTICIPATED HAPPENED.

Trouble With the Refrigerated Beef Was That Too Much Was Furnished—Only About One-sixth of the Amount Was Issued.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—General Humphreys in his testimony before the war board yesterday, speaking of the Santiago expedition, said it was easy enough now to look back on things which might have been done, but there were a thousand and one things which happened which could not have been anticipated. He was closely questioned by Dr. Connor as to the supply of medical stores and the transportation furnished to convey them to the front. Witness said that the transportation trains used before the wagon trains were unloaded were under the direction of the commanding general, with orders to get ammunition and stores to the front, preferably ammunition, but there was, in his opinion, no reason why the medical stores should not have reached the front. "The medical corps were," said he, "denied nothing when it was possible to give it to them." General Humphreys said medicine chests belonging to many surgeons were not landed with the troops, as they should have been. Tons and tons of regimental property were landed in some cases, but not the surgeons' medicine chests. Why he could not understand. Asked if all the supplies were landed by July 10, General Humphreys said he could not say. "I don't know what was taken with the expedition," said he, "and I don't think any one knows. This was the result of the confusion, when everything went by the board. In the first instance, I directed all the hospital stores to go on the Santiago, Iroquois and Seneca, but when they did not come we loaded what came to the piers at Tampa. No one knows exactly what arrived."

Asked about his experience with refrigerated beef, he said the first he saw was at Santiago. "The trouble was there was too much of it," said he, "but what I saw was pretty good. I think it was all good when landed at daylight each morning, but I know nothing about its condition when it reached the troops. I heard some of it spoiled."

"How about the tinned roast beef?"

"That I know did not give satisfaction, possibly owing to the intense heat."

"Did you hear an intimation that it might have been chemically treated?"

"I did not. In a joking way I heard that Armour had extracted the juice from the roast beef for his beef extract."

Captain Homer F. Aspinwall, quartermaster of the Manitoba, which carried the refrigerated beef that was dumped overboard on the return voyage from Ponce, testified that the beef was tested when it was placed aboard ship. His engineer, he said, was familiar with the shipment of beef in the transatlantic trade and was a little nervous about the temperature of the refrigerator. It was new business to him (Aspinwall). The engineer said it was impossible to get the temperature of the "boxes" below 33 degrees Fahrenheit. The average temperature on the trip was 34. He arrived at Ponce Aug. 10 and ran aground. While aground one of the pipes choked, and the temperature in the boxes went up to 46. The pipe was choked four hours. At Mayaguez he opened the boxes for the first time. There were 1,500 troops there. The beef was good. At Ponce Colonel Smith, chief quartermaster, agreed to take 5,000 pounds a day. By mistake the lighter came for the first installment of meat at 5 o'clock in the evening instead of 5 o'clock in the morning. It was kept ashore overnight and issued. There was one complaint that a portion of the meat had spoiled. It was buried by order of the surgeon. But the rest was good. Major Birmingham of the hospital at Ponce said it was the best beef issued to the hospital. No further beef was issued at Ponce. With the quantity used aboard ship about 50,000 of the 300,000 pounds of beef was issued. Two days before he reached New York the steward reported that he was obliged to cut away a third of each quarter in the boxes, which had spoiled, and throw it overboard.

Pay For the Sixty-ninth.

ALBANY, Jan. 17.—Governor Roosevelt announces that he is in correspondence with the national military authorities in reference to the payment of the First and Sixty-ninth regiments. The men mustered out of service after Jan. 1 under the ruling of the federal authorities will not receive as much as those who were mustered out prior to that date by the difference between federal and state pay. The governor proposes that the federal authorities repay to New York state the difference in the money paid to the men mustered out before Jan. 1, and if this is refused he asks that the men mustered out after the New Year be paid as were the others and promises that then no rebate will be asked. If no satisfactory arrangement can be made, then the governor proposes that the state shall make an appropriation to pay the men.

Chinese Emperor's Amusement.

PEKING, Jan. 17.—Palace reports describe increasing ill feeling between the dowager empress and the emperor. On several occasions recently the emperor, it is claimed, disobeyed the dowager empress. The chief amusement of the emperor at present, the palace reports also say, is training goats and monkeys. Reports from Shangtung province say the populace there is almost in a state of rebellion. The missionaries anticipate trouble. It is added that French warships have been ordered to Fuchau. Li Hung Chang is suffering from swollen legs.

New York Educational Statistics.

ALBANY, Jan. 17.—Statistics given out by the state university department show that in 1898 29,301 students were registered in New York colleges, universities and professional schools, as follows: Colleges for men, 3,489; colleges for women, 2,705; colleges for both, 2,307; law, 2,218; medicine, 3,582; pharmacy, 635, dentistry, 430; eye and ear, 11; veterinary, 96; theology, 829; education, 1,257, music, 766; other, 10,977. There were 66,342 students in secondary schools and academies.

AFFECTIONATE DOGS.

How an English Setter Rescued His Companion from Death by Drowning.

An illustration of the devotion of animals lately occurred, the chief actors being the two dogs of C. P. Pitkin, one an Irish and the other an English setter, reports the Montpelier (Vt.) Argus. The dogs are devoted to each other, and are together almost continually. The other day the Irish setter went on the ice on the river behind Mr. Pitkin's residence, and broke through when near the opposite side, being precipitated into the water. The animal made desperate efforts to get out, but the ice continued to break on the edge under its paws every time it attempted to climb out. In this way the dog moved to near the center of the river, where the swift current commenced to drag it under the ice. When the dog broke into the river the English setter appeared to be greatly disturbed, and when it failed to get out rushed up and down, evidently trying to devise some plan for a rescue. When, however, the dog commenced to be drawn under the ice the English setter set up a heartbreaking howl and ran to the barn, where George Fitzgerald was at work, and, barking and evidently trying to tell him to follow, at last got him to the river bank, where he saw what had happened and pulled out the other animal from the river. When the Irish setter reached the shore the other seemed overcome and barked and made the most extravagant demonstrations of joy, lapping the other, and very plainly showing that it realized the danger from which the other had escaped and its thankfulness therefor.

WITCHCRAFT IN ALASKA.

The Government Trying to Stamp Out the Troublesome Practice of the Medicine Men.

The United States court of Alaska, acting under instructions from Washington, is endeavoring to stamp out witchcraft, as practiced by the Indian tribes on the southeastern coast of the territory. A number of Indians are at Juneau under arrest, and their cases are being considered by the grand jury that is now in session. These Indians are very superstitious, even more so than those of the interior. If the medicine man is unable to effect a cure in any case he pronounces the patient bewitched. The relatives of the sick Indian will accuse some of the tribe of being the "witch devil." The accused is confined until the fate of the patient is decided. In every case he is put to death if the sick man dies. The number of Indians killed as "witch devils" increased during the past year, and Gov. Brady gave it prominence in his report.

Judge Johnson, in charging the grand jury, said: "You will be called upon to investigate a number of offenses peculiar to this territory growing out of the belief in witchcraft prevalent among the native people. Many of the cruel murders among them may be traced to this belief, and it is your duty not to ignore, but to make patient inquiry and return true bills where the evidence so warrants, for the protection of these people. The stamp of the law's disapproval of all such practices must be emphatic."

BEAUTIFUL EYES.

An Oculist Authority Says Those With Large Pupils Are Apt to Be Defective.

A large pupil is one of the chief beauties of the eye, and so well is this recognized that the atropia, which dilates the pupil, has been named belladonna. Yet a dilated pupil is a very common sympton of a defective vision. The iris is a shutter to regulate the amount of light falling on the retina, and if the latter be dull or defective it requires a larger supply. Hence a dilated pupil is often associated with a feeble retina, which, of course, means feeble vision. Short-sighted people have often a greater convexity of the front of the cornea, and this lends a certain brightness to the eye. Apart from these mechanical causes, there is a very common, but unexplained, association of defective sight, and an irritable and easily inflamed eye, with some of the rarer and more beautiful colored irises. The much-admired violet eye, and certain shades of gray and blue, often suffer from such associated defects. Those with long eyelashes are said to be more subject to "stye" and other inflammations.

Able on the Platform.

The queen of Roumania is perhaps the only royal personage who acquits herself as a public lecturer. For some time past her majesty has been accustomed to give lectures privately in her palace to the young ladies of the leading families in Roumania. These literary assemblies proved so attractive that the demands for admission have grown inconvenient, so that the queen has thought it expedient to lecture in the high school for all the pupils who cared to attend. Before her majesty could do this, however, she had to obtain a regular professor's diploma from the king and the minister of instruction.

Assassins in India.

Even in far-off India the assassin is not unknown. The earl of Mayo, governor general of India, was assassinated by Shere Ali, a convict, in the Andaman Isles, in 1872, and an attempt was made to assassinate Lord Lytton while viceroy of India in 1873.

Cheese Mites Not Easily Killed.

The cheese mite is more tenacious of life than any other insect. Leuwenhoeck glued one to a pin in order to make a microscopical examination, and in this situation it lived eleven weeks.

Pabst Malt Extract
The Best Tonic
Causes sweet sleep, restores faded looks, lightens weary minds and builds up the body. It braces; it gives you vim and bounce.

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Pozzoni's Complexion Powder gives fresher charms; to the old, renewed youth. Try it.

IN Pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Floyd L. Truex late of the city of Middletown, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, the administrator of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits of said deceased, at his office, Low Building, in the city of Middletown, New York, on or before the 1st day of June, 1899.
Dated November 29th, 1898.
ZOPHER K. GREENE, Administrator.
JOHN C. R. TAYLOR, Attorney for Administrator, Rooms 5 and 6, Low Building, Middletown, New York. 14dTu6mMy30

IN Pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Sarah J. Smith, late of the town of Mount Hope, in said county deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, the administrator of the goods, chattels and credits of said deceased, at his place of residence, in the town of Mount Hope, on or before the 15th day of March next.
Dated Sept 12th, 1898.
JOHN L. SEYBOLT, Administrator.
JOHN L WIGGINS, Attorney for Administrator, 11 North street, Middletown, N. Y.
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Dr. Charcot's Tonic Tablets, the great Parisian remedy, is a guaranteed cure for the Drink habit; also nervousness and melancholy caused by over-indulgence.
It Destroys the Appetite for Alcoholic and all Intoxicating Beverages, and leaves man as he should be. It can be administered without the knowledge of the patient where necessary. Send for pamphlet.
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OUR JANUARY SALE!

When a Whole Store Cuts loose from profits, when in many instances, it ignores cost, in its one great desire to reduce stock in a limited space of time, if that store is honest in its statements and intentions, the buying public is put into possession of a money saving opportunity so great that they can ill afford to pass it lightly by.

This Store Proposes for one week to offer every dollar of its surplus seasonable merchandise at such a reduction from its regular price that profits will be wiped out, and, in many instances, cost will be lost sight of. We're honest about it; we are earnest about it; we mean to make this sale memorable. Facts in the shape of figures will tell you more emphatically than all the wordy eloquence in the world just how earnest we are in this matter. These chances, for obvious reasons, do not often occur.

THIS SALE WILL LAST SEVEN DAYS.

The advertised prices will hold good during that time.

Sale Begins Saturday Morning, Jan. 14,

and ends the following Saturday night, Jan. 21st. IT WILL PAY YOU to come fifty miles to attend this great sale.

The Dress Goods Reduction Feast.

No hit or miss advertising here. Just cold blooded price cutting all along the line. Inventory is at hand, and this dress goods stock must be reduced, and that at short notice. We go about it this way.

Colored Dress Goods.

ONE LOT DOUBLE FOLD PLAIDS and fancy weaves, suitable for children's school dresses, 15c value, sale's price 6c per yard.

ONE LOT OF FANCY WEAVES, some of them all wool, were 29c up to 39c, sale's price 18c per yard. 50 and 59c all wool Fancies, Granites and Bayeres reduced to 39c per yard. $1.38 Novelties reduced to 79c.

Your Black Goods Opportunity.

Good Black Goods at reasonable prices are always a satisfactory purchase, but when a whole stock is practically stripped of profits to reduce its volume, it presents a buying chance of the first importance. 36-inch Black Novelties reduced from 35c to 19c. 50 and 59c Black Novelties reduced to 39c per yard. $2 Black Crepons $1.39 per yard.

Silk Selling Extraordinary.

Former prices not considered at this sale. The question is, what prices will move the lots quickly? Here's how we answer that question. One lot of Fancy Silks, consisting of checks, plaids and fancy figured silks, were priced from 69c way up to $1 a yard, sale's price 39c per yard. Black Figured Gros Grains and Satins, were $1 and $1.25, now 69c per yard. Plain and Changeable Taffeta Silks, were $1, sale's price 59c per yard.

Sale Time in Domestics.

A money saving time. A time when you should replenish your supply of housekeeping goods. 4,000 yards best 9c Unbleached Sheeting 3¾c per yard. Best Bleached Muslin, usually 9 and 10c., at sale 5¼c. 3,000 yards best Calicoes, 6c goods, at sale 2¾c.

Pillow Muslin.

¾ yard wide, bleached, 8c; unbleached, 7c.

Wide Sheeting Muslin.

Unbleached—2 yards wide, 12c., worth 16c.; 2¼ yards wide, 13c., worth 18c.; 2½ yards wide, 14c., worth 22c. Bleached—2 yards wide, 13c., worth 18c.; 2¼ yards wide, 14c., worth 22c.; 2½ yards wide, 16c., worth 25c.

Outing Flannels.

There is a ring to these values. But this is sales time; bargain time in this store. Buy all you need from these lots. 8c Outing Flannel 5c a yard, 10c Outing Flannel 7c a yard, 5c Shaker Flannel 3½c a yard.

A Great Cloak Clearance.

No stock in this store that we are more in earnest about. All previous cloak reductions are cancelled and again reduced. You who have not bought will be glad you waited. It seems a pity to so sacrifice all these stylish garments, but they must go, no matter what the loss. One lot of Ladies' Jackets, priced from $5 to $8, your choice $2.50 each. One lot of Ladies' Jackets, priced from $10 to $15, your choice $5 each.

Sweeping Reductions

in Ladies' Capes and Child's Jackets.

Sale of Wrappers.

Here is a chance that seldom happens. Some 260 women will get a rare bargain here. 30 dozen heavy Flannelette Wrappers, with ruffles over shoulders, fancy braid trimmed, $1.25 is their real value, sale's price 69c each.

Dealings in Table Linens.

Our linen store, always a safe and economical place to buy, has made some extra efforts for sale's week that brings extra best chances. 66-inch Table Damask, 5 new designs, good value at 55c, sale's price 39c per yard. 68-inch Irish Table Damask, regular 69c value, at sale 50c a yard. 72-inch Satin Damask, fine Irish manufacture, $1 quality, at sale 75c per yard.

Table Napkins.

All linen Napkins, German manufacture, value $1, at sale 75c a dozen. Dinner Napkins, Irish manufacture, 19x21, value $1.75, at sale $1.25 a dozen. Dinner Napkins, Scotch make, all linen, 21x22, value $2.50, at sale $1.75 a dozen.

Towels.

Huck and Damask Towels, regular 15c quality, at sale 12½c. Large brown Turkish Towels, 15c value, at sale 9c each. Hemmed Huck and Fringed Damask Towels, 35c value, at sale 25c each.

J. W. TOMPKINS,
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FIRE ALARM BOXES.

14—Wickham Ave., cor. Prince, O. & W. R. R.
15—North street and Low avenue, hat shops.
16—North street and Wisner avenue.
17—Railroad avenue and Montgomery street.
18—Grand avenue and Prince street
19—East Main street, corner Gardner avenue.
23—Wickham avenue, corner Liberty street.
24—West Main street, corner West street.
25—North street, corner Wickham avenue.
26—James and Henry streets.
27—North and John streets, Erie crossing.
28—Lake avenue and West street.
29—West Main street, cor. Monhagen avenue.
213—State Hospital.
214—Prospect street and Highland avenue.
215—State Hospital (rear).
216—Lake avenue and Oliver street.
34—Fulton and Mill streets, hat shops.
35—High and Hanford streets.
36—Canal street, condensery.
37—Mulberry and Fulton streets.
38—Grand View avenue and South street.
41—Fulton street and East avenue.
42—Academy and Houston avenues.
43—East Main street and Railroad avenue.
45—East Main street, foot of Orchard street.
46—Academy avenue and Genung street.
47—Myrtle and Prospect avenue.
48—Grant street and Sprague avenue.
49—East Main street, corner Prospect avenue.
54—North street, opposite Press office.
57—Franklin Square.

1 Stroke of bell denotes circuit is broken.
2-2-2 Stroke of bell denotes Chief's call.
3 Strokes of bell denotes 12 o'clock time.
4 Strokes of bell denotes recall, fire is out.
21 Ahead of any box number, test signal.
2 Strokes of bell denotes that reserve companies are not needed.
3-3-3 Strokes of bell, followed by one round of box, indicates a call for out of town.

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For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

Try Grain-O! Try Grain-O.

Ask your Grocer to-day to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury as well as the adult. All who try it, like it. GRAIN-O has that rich seal brown of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without distress. ¼ the price of coffee. 15c. and 25cts. per package. Sold by all grocers.

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ONE NIGHT ONLY.

Wednesday Ev'ng, Jan. 18th

AL. G. FIELD MINSTRELS.

14th annual tour. The oldest, biggest and best of all minstrel shows Greater in all things than all others. All new this season.

10 EUROPEAN SPECIALISTS 10

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MUSICAL TRIO,

3 LELLIOTT, BUSCH AND LELLIOTT 3

Everhardt, the great German juggler; Gruett, Beers and Gruett, acrobatic grotesque comedian dancers; the Bewitched Policeman,. The ensemble and chorus,

"Flags of All Nations."

The dance of the day, rag time pastimes, Chester Nim's Military Band, Eddie Fox's Orchestra

Regular Prices of Admission.

Casino Theatre

ONE JOLLY NIGHT.

Saturday Ev'ng, Jan. 21st.

The Great Irish Comedian,

BARNEY FERGUSON,

Late star of "McCarthy's Mishaps," and a big company of comedians, singers and dancers in Yank Newell's original musical farce comedy,

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"The funniest play ever written."

3 Acts of Laughter, 2 1-2 Hours of Fun, A Lifetime of Joyful Memories.

Pretty girls, graceful dancing, agile acrobats, excruciating situations, funny men, sweet singing, side-splitting jokes, exciting climaxes.

Popular Prices 25, 35, 50c

NEWSPAPERS PAY BEST.

The Only Advertising Worth Having Says a Man of Experience.

"With all my years of experience in newspaper advertising, you taught me something by that roast you printed a month ago because I wouldn't tell you all my business," said Dr. David Kennedy to a Kingston *Leader* reporter, the other day, "I had intended to advertise my Calcura Solvent, Herculine Tonic and the rest of my new remedies quite extensively by means of lithographs, cards and books," continued the Doctor, "but I have decided to cut off all such expenses and spend the money on newspaper advertising. I knew from long experience that newspaper advertising was good, but I did not realise how good. That time you roasted me the article was copied in other papers and letters began to come in from all over the country —first a few at a time and then by the score and hundred—asking about the new medicine, asking advice and asking questions. That was an object lesson I shall not forget. The newspaper is the way to publicity, for if an annoying little news item brought about such results, steady and judicious advertising will do more. Another thing that resulted was letters and visits from at least a hundred persons with schemes of all kinds that they asked me to go into. These fellows read the news in the papers and seemed to think I had money to burn. I have money, but it isn't to be thrown away on wildcat schemes. I mean to pay for what I get but I do not mean to pay more than it is worth. The men with schemes have amused me very much, but their trouble has been profitless to themselves, for, as I told you before, what I spend on advertising will go the newspapers, where the experience of the last month has proven to me the greatest amount of advertising is to be had for the money. I went right to work making up a long list of papers I am going in. I got the last of my contracts off to-day and acceptances are coming in already from those first sent. It was a big job and I am glad it is over. It was costly, but I feel sure I will get the worth of my money."

TROUT FOR PUBLIC WATERS.

Applications Should Be Filed With the Fisheries Commission.

The Fisheries Commission is now receiving applications for putting out trout fry for the coming season, which will close about Feb. 1. All sportsmen and farmers interested in stocking streams with game fish should apply at once to C. A. Taylor, assistant secretary of the commission at Albany, for blank applications to be filled out for trout fry. A number of applications were sent in too late to be acted upon last year, but we are advised by the superintendent that these applications have been booked and will be filled this spring. The railroads in connection with the Fisheries Commission transport these fish free. It therefore costs nothing to get them and there is no reason why our streams should not be stocked, making trout plenty once more.

INTERESTING INSURANCE CASE.

Policy Not Invalidated by the Removal of a Kitchen From the Rest of the House.

Judge Hirschberg has given judgment in favor of John Hannon, of Rock Hill, Sullivan county, in his suit against the Hartford Fire Insurance Company. The company issued a policy on Hannon's house, and subsequently, to get rid of the odor of cooking, he moved the kitchen 100 feet from the main building. The kitchen burned down and the insurance company refused payment of the loss on the ground that conditions had been changed by the removal of the structure. The case was submitted on stipulation and Judge Hirschberg decides in favor of the insured.

Traction Company's New Milk Car.

The Traction Company's improvised milk car will be succeeded, to-morrow, by a new one. The brown box car, which was brought here from the New Paltz road, has had platforms put on it, and has been supplied with motors and been painted a brilliant red. Supt. Rock states that such a handsome car should make every farmer along the line proud of sending his milk aboard it.

Advertised Letter List.

List of letters remaining uncalled for at the Middletown postoffice for the week ending Jan. 16th:

LADIES.

Berry, Mrs. Anna
Block, Miss Lizzie
Carpenter, Miss Carrie M.
Dudgeon, Miss Lizzie
Johnson, Miss Ida
Kneling, Mrs. August
Otens, Mrs. Minnie
Smith, Mrs. Mary A.

GENTLEMEN.

Bouton, S. S.
Coleman, Frank E.
Conklin, Josiah
Carey, Frank
Cannon, William
Koill, Fred
McDermott, Phillips
Mailgan, Michl
McArthur, Leslie E.
Maher, Dennis- 2
Smith, George
Talmage & McCoy
Williams, Charles
Whitlock, J. H.

B. S. DAYTON, P. M.

BLOOMINGBURGH.

Lease of a Farm—Attended the Teachers' Examination—Real Estate Sale—Other Notes.

Correspondence Argus and Mercury.

—C. Van Buren has rented the G. W. Beakes farm for the coming year.

—A number of young people from our school attended the teachers' examination at Port Jervis, Thursday and Friday.

—Joseph Turner has sold his small farm near this place to Elmer Crawford, of the town of Crawford.

—Fred Shorter is again able to be in the store.

—N. C. Deighton expects to move to Oxford, Chenango county, to take charge of a creamery for T. A. Mills.

MUNYON'S

I do not believe there is a case of dyspepsia, indigestion or any stomach trouble that cannot be relieved at once and permanently cured by my DYSPEPSIA CURE.
MUNYON.
At all druggists, 25c. a vial. Guide to Health and medical advice free. 1505 Arch street, Phila.

DYSPEPSIA CURE

STATE INSPECTED NURSERY STOCK

Described in the Catalogue of Dwyer & Son, Cornwall-on-Hudson.

The annual 1899 spring catalogue of T. J. Dwyer & Son, of the Orange County Nurseries at Cornwall, has been received. This nursery business was established over sixteen years ago. From a very small beginning the trade has grown to large proportions. Trees, plants, etc., are shipped to all parts of the country, and as will be seen from the testimonials in the catalogue this firm has among its patrons people who are in the habit of getting the best the market affords. They have for this spring's sales three million strawberry plants, fifty thousand fruit trees, fifty thousand each of currants, raspberries, asparagus plants by the million, and a full line of roses, shade trees, evergreens and other ornamental stock.

As will be seen from their advertisement in our columns their catalogue is sent free to all applicants. We advise all our readers to send for a copy. It contains instructive and valuable information about planting, and names the varieties of fruits best suited for this section of the country. Every tree, plant and vine in the nurseries has recently been examined by the State inspector and found free from disease of any kind. Any one interested in fruit growing should send for a copy of this free catalogue. It is a well arranged and neatly printed book.

The firm allows a special discount for early orders and a collection of choice roses and honeysuckles, or a fine list of fruits, to all who send them some names of those who may need trees, plants and vines. The catalogue explains all.

BULLVILLE.

Are Over the Grip—Getting Better—Private Roberson's Home Coming—Other Notes.

Correspondence of Argus and Mercury.

—We are glad to say that most of our friends here who have been suffering with the grip are able to be on the street and attend to their duties once more.

—Mrs. D. P. Ayres, of near this village, who has been seriously sick with hemorrhage of the stomach, is, at this writing, gaining slowly.

—Supervisor S. D. Roberson looks for his son to arrive home from San Francisco the last of this week, as he received a telegram that he had reached there, last Wednesday.

—Rev. W. E. Thompson's subject for next Sunday morning's sermon will be: The Duties of Church Members.

—G. H. Miller, of Middletown, moved to this village, last week, and is soon to open a market here.

—Clarence T. Dickerson spent Sunday with friends at this place.

—Miss Lizzie Gardner, of Middletown, is spending the week with friends near this village.

—Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Howell spent Sunday with friends at Walden.

—Emmet Mikles, of Middletown, was at this place, Sunday, visiting friends.

—Mr. and Mrs. William Baker, formerly of this place, returned, Monday morning, to their home in Brooklyn, after spending a fortnight with friends in this village.

Deafness Cannot be Cured.

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure Deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed Deafness is the result, and unless the inflamation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for ay case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

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Many People Cannot Drink

coffee at night. It spoils their sleep. You can drink Grain-O when you please and sleep like a top. For Grain-O does not stimulate; it nourishes, cheers and feeds. Yet it looks and tastes like the best coffee. For nervous persons, young people and children Grain-O is a perfect drink. Made from pure grains. Get a package from your grocer to-day. Try it in place of coffee. 15 and 25 cents.

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COUGH SYRUP
Cures Hoarseness and Sore Throat.
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ALL INFORMATION GIVEN.

Annual Report of the New York Life Insurance Co.—Great Gain in New Business.

The fifty-fourth annual report of the New York Life Insurance Company, printed in another column, is a statement of unusual interest. It sets forth a business of vast magnitude and importance with unusual detail, and gives the intending insurer just what he should wish to know concerning a life company which seeks his patronage. Over 73,000 new insurers took policies in the company during the year, their contracts covering over $152,000,000. The large companies find it necessary to do considerable new business to offset their losses by death, maturity and lapse; but the New York Life's gain in insurance in force was over sixty-seven million dollars. It was proposed a few years ago to limit by law a life company's risks to one thousand million dollars. There is little need of such a limitation, for the forces of disintegration are always at work, and no company's business has yet reached that limit; the New York Life's, however, no exceeds $944,000,000, and another year's gain equal to that of 1898 will carry it over the line.

When Mr. McCall became President of the New-York Life, in 1892, he announced that he believed in frequent and full accounting to policy-holders, and each succeeding report shows how well he keeps his word. Probably the most important event of Mr. McCall's administration—since the issue of an unrestricted policy in 1892—is the announcement made last year that henceforth the Company will base its reserved fund on an assumed rate of three per cent. interest. This means increased security to policy-holders, and shows a determination to conduct the business economically.

The Company has had its real estate valued during the year by insurance officials of the States wherein it is situated, and has made such reductions as reduce it to a four per cent interest earning basis. The dollar mark in the New York Life's reports means one hundred cents in value for every unit to the right of it.

SMALLPOX IN NEWBURGH.

A Young Woman Who Recently Moved There From This City Stricken With the Disease.

A case of smallpox was discovered, Monday morning, at 25 William street, Newburgh. The patient is a young woman, twenty-two years old. Her name is not given, but it is said that she and three other members of her family recently went to Newburgh from this city. It is not known how the disease was contracted.

Newburgh has no pest house and as the only thing possible the health authorities have placed guards about the house to prevent ingress or egress, and the strictest possible quarrantine will be maintained.

New Paltz and Wallkill Valley Receiver.

Justice Truax of the Supreme Court has appointed Edward Browne permanent receiver for the New Paltz and Wallkill Valley Railroad Company of New Paltz, N. Y., in proceedings brought by the directors for a voluntary dissolution of the company. The bond of the receiver was fixed at $50,000. James G. Graham was appointed temporary receiver on Aug. 20 last, and the papers in the case then showed liabilities $185,730 and assets $154,196.

THE MAN OF THE HOUR.

He Never Fails to Appear When a Great Need Arises.

When a great need arises, the man prepared to meet that need always appears. This has again been proven in the great need caused by the terrible epidemic of Grip that has been sweeping over the land, leaving in its wake thousands of weakened, debilitated victims who, although the Grip has left them, are suffering from the still more dangerous after effect which renders them liable to fall victims to some other and more fatal disease. Something is needed that will surely remove these remnants of Grip, so that they will have strength to resist the ills incident to Spring—so they will not fall victims to pneumonia, consumption, typhoid fever, malaria and other diseases that fasten themselves with terrible effect upon weakened humanity. It is fortunate that just at this time Dr. David Kennedy, of Rondout, City of Kingston, N. Y., should have completed his experimenting with a new medicine, designed to meet the great want for something that will restore strength in a natural, safe and lasting way. Unfortunately he was a little too late to prevent the untold suffering that the possession of this medicine would have ensured had it been ready for market a few weeks ago, for it absolutely prevents Grip if taken in time—cures it if taken after the disease has stricken you—but fortunately, for the thousands who still suffer the after effect of the Grip, the medicine has been perfected and placed within their reach now, before they have drifted into some incurable disease. Herculine Tonic is the name of this preparation and it will eradicate the last effect of Grip from your system, making you strong and able to resist disease in future. It strengthens by making your stomach and digestive organs do their duty, so that the strength you get is natural and lasting. The value of Herculine Tonic lies in the fact that it enables you to resist disease in the future as well as cast it out now.

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Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

GEN. M. V. SHERIDAN.

Now in Command of the Department of the Lakes.

He Shows No Ill Effect of the Campaign in Porto Rico—His Assignment Considered Merely a Temporary One.

Brig. Gen. Michael V. Sheridan, fresh from service in Porto Rico, reported the other day at army headquarters in the Pullman building at Chicago as the new commander of the department of the lakes.

Gen. Sheridan's physical appearance shows little effect of his 4½ months' arduous campaigning in Porto Rico.

The new department commander's commission dates from December 14, and his arrival relieved Gen. Bacon, of St. Paul, who had been temporarily in charge of two departments. Gen. Bacon's jurisdiction will now be confined to the department of the Dakota. During the recent interregnum the active work of the department at Chicago has been in charge of Col. Barr, the adjutant general.

Gen. Sheridan left Porto Rico several weeks ago and spent some days in Washington and New York before being ordered to Chicago.

"I was in Porto Rico nearly five months," he said, "and spent most of that time in San Juan and vicinity. While with the troops I was not called upon for active service. Shortly after our arrival in the islands there were two skirmishes near Guayama in the eastern part of Porto Rico, but they were unimportant. The troops in Porto Rico were in good condition when I left and were doing effective work. Mrs. Sheridan joined me in San Juan about two months ago and came home with me. The transport on which we arrived home brought the First Kentucky volunteer regiment, which will be mustered out of service.

"So far as I know, my assignment as commander of the department of the lakes is merely temporary. It will be several days before the routine duties become familiar to me, and meanwhile there will be no changes."

GEN. M. V. SHERIDAN.
(Temporary Commander of the Department of the Lakes.)

Gen. Sheridan, who is a brother of Gen. Phil Sheridan, has been a resident of Chicago on more than one occasion before. He was military secretary to his brother when the latter was stationed there as commander of the division of the Missouri.

He occupied a similar position when his brother was in command of the whole army at the national capital.

Just before the declaration of war with Spain the department of the Missouri was abolished and the department of the lakes created, the latter containing a part of the territory of the old department and its headquarters. When Gen. Brooke was assigned as commander of the department of the lakes Gen. Sheridan, then colonel, was made the adjutant general. When the troops in the department of the lakes were moved south Gen. Brooke removed his headquarters to Chickamauga and became post commander of that camp. It was while acting as adjutant general at Chickamauga that Gen. Sheridan was promoted to be brigadier general of volunteers. He sailed with the first Porto Rican expedition from Charleston. Peace was declared almost immediately after the expedition arrived there and the duties of the troops there have since been mainly the construction of roads and telegraph lines and the sanitary cleansing of the towns in the island.

One of the first changes of importance in the department of the lakes will be the regarrisoning of the post at Fort Sheridan.

The present staff at the headquarters of the department of the lakes includes Col. Albert Hartsuff, chief surgeon; Col. J. M. J. Lee, chief quartermaster; Capt. Charles G. Palmer, assistant quartermaster; Maj. Fred A. Smith, chief commissary, and Col. A. B. Carey, assistant paymaster general. The latter has 12 or 13 assistants, whose duties have been onerous of late in paying off the troops at various points in the department.

A Polyglot Parliament.

Switzerland differs from other countries in many things, and one of the most remarkable is the way in which its parliamentary debates are conducted. A Swiss member of parliament can express himself in French, German or Italian, and the privilege is freely used. When the president of the federal assembly speaks in German his remarks are translated by a secretary in close proximity to him. All the laws and resolutions, before being voted upon, are drawn up in French, German and Italian, and every official report is published in these three languages.

Cotton and Iron as Cargoes.

Among stevedores cotton is regarded as the hardest to stow and railway iron the easiest.

Grip's Ravages Doomed.

So much misery and so many deaths have been caused by the Grip, that every one should know what a wonderful remedy for this malady is found in Dr. King's New Discovery. That distressing stubborn cough, that inflames your throat, robs you of your sleep, weakens your system and paves the way for consumption is quickly stopped by this matchless cure. If you have chills and fever, pain in the back of the head, soreness in bones and muscles, sore throat and that cough that grips your throat like a vice, you need Dr. King's New Discovery to cure your Grip, and prevent pneumonia or consumption. Price 50 cents and $1. Money back if not cured. A trial bottle free at J. J. Chambers's drug store.

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Morton L. Hill, of Lebanon, Ind., says: "My wife had Inflammatory Rheumatism in every muscle and joint, her suffering was terrible and her body and face were swollen almost beyond recognition; had been in bed for six weeks and had eight physicians but received no benefit until she tried the MYSTIC CURE FOR RHEUMATISM. It gave immediate relief and she was able to walk about in three days. I am sure it saved her life."

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"Life Renewer" for Ladies.

Olivia Peterson, of Coldwater, Mich., writes: "I had not been able to sit up half day at a time for thirteen years until I used the Mystic Life Renewer. It has cured me of nervous troubles, headache and a very bad stomach. It has helped me in so many ways, and cured me of afflictions that the doctors said could not be cured. The blessed Life Renewer has done more for me than all the patent medicines, doctors and christian science treatments combined. It is the most wonderful medincine I ever saw."

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And each day and night during this week you can get at any druggist's Kemp's Balsam for the throat and lungs, acknowledged to be the most successful remedy ever sold for coughs, croup, bronchitis, asthma and consumption. Get a bottle to-day and keep it always in the house, so you can check your cold at once. Price 25c. and 50c. Sample bottle free.

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AMUSEMENT NOTES.

—Jan 16—Masquerade ball of O. and W. employees.

—Jan. 18.—Field's Minstrels, at Casino.

—Jan. 21—"Muldoon's Picnic," at Casino.

—Jan 24 — Y. M. C. A. entertainment. Dr. Eugene May, at the Casino.

—Jan. 24—Daughters of America dance.

—Jan. 26—Ball of 24th Separate Co. band. at the Casino.

—Jan. 27—Y. P. S. C. E. rally at the Congregational Church.

—Feb. 13—McQuoid's annual ball, at Casino.

—Feb. 14—Y. M. C. A. entertainment, Rev. Russell H. Conwell, at the Casino.

—Feb. 22—Jr. O. U. A. M. second annual ball at Assembly Rooms.

WEATHER INDICATIONS

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON. D. C., Jan. 17.—Fair, tonight and Wednesday; much colder; northwesterly winds.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Pronk's drug store, to-day:
7 a. m.. 38° 12 m.. 45° 3 p. m.. 44°.

The boom in Wall street is reflected in the price of Stock Exchange seats. One was sold, Monday, for $33,000, the highest price since 1881.

New Jersey spent $93,875.54, in equipping its troops for the war with Spain. New York spent for the same purpose $1,000,000. The difference is in part explained by the fact that New York had a Tillinghast and New Jersey hadn't.

"Gas" Addicks's candidacy for the United States Senate makes impossible the election of a Republican Senator in Delaware, this year, for Addicks's men, who owe their election to his campaign contributions, will not desert him,—he's too good a thing and too liberal a giver to be dropped,—and the anti-Addicks Republicans will vote for Senator Gray, or any other respectable Democrat in preference to Addicks.

Gen. Eagan didn't settle the "embalmed beef" controversy when he indecently assailed Gen. Miles before the war investigating commission, but he did settle the fate of the army reorganization bill, which hasn't a ghost of a chance of passing while military affairs are in a muddle. Congress will not vote to increase the military establishment until the War Department proves itself competent to rule the army already in existence.

Gov. Roosevelt, through his private secretary, has notified members of the Republican State committee that he will be pleased to hear from them at any time "in relation to appointments" and other matters in which they are interested. This is a very canny move on the Governor's part. It is a recognition of the machine, which in no way obligates the Governor to pay any more attention to its recommendations than he has in the past.

Senator Raines' proposition to amend his rum bill by abolishing the right which hotels now have to sell on Sunday will precipitate a bitter fight in the Legislature, and it is doubtful if party discipline could rally anything like the Republican strength in its behalf. And even if the amendment should pass Sunday selling would go on just as it has under every and any excise law that the State has ever had. The amendment which Senator Raines proposes, if considered on its merits, opens again old questions whether it is not the wiser policy to regulate what experience has shown legislation cannot prohibit.

IN THE RAILROAD WORLD.

—An unknown man, apparently a tramp, was killed, Saturday, on the West Shore road, near Fort Montgomery. He was walking on the track when struck by a train.

—The negro who was killed by jumping from the O. and W. milk train at Iona Island, Saturday morning, had become suddenly and violently insane a few minutes before he rushed out of the car

Catarrh Cannot be Cured.

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was perscribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years, and is a regular perscription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing Catarrh. Send for testimonials, free.

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WEST VIRGINIA'S SENATORIAL CONTEST.

Likely to Be Long and Bitter—Democrats Replying to Republicans' Threat

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Jan 16.—The Senatorial contest now pending before the West Virginia legislature surpasses in political importance anything of the kind in the history of this State. With a Republican majority in the Senate and a Democratic majority in the House there is a tendency for each body to retaliate in partisan matters, especially in settling contests for seats. The indications are that when the contests are all settled the Republicans will have a majority of one on joint ballot for Senator.

Republican Senators say they will unseat a Democratic Senator for every Republican member unseated in the house. The majority in the lower house retaliates with the statement that it has more members than the upper house to unseat, and can play longer on the retaliating programme. No business is likely to be transacted till the contested seats are disposed of, and probably not till after the election of Senator.

JEALOUS WOMAN SHOOTS HER RIVAL.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

CLEVELAND, Jan. 17.—A sensational shooting occurred, last night, in the Ellington, a fashionable apartment house. A stylishly dressed young woman, said to be Miss Edna Raymond, entered the rooms of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Hanna, during the absence of the husband and opened fire on Mrs. Hanna with a revolver. Four shots were fired in rapid succession, only one of which took effect. It struck Mrs. Hanna in the thigh and caused a painful wound. Miss Raymond, having apparently emptied the revolver, then escaped and has not yet been located by the police. Mr. and Mrs. Hanna were married at Christmas and up to a short time previously Hanna had kept company, it is said with Miss Raymond. Jealousy undoubtedly prompted the shooting.

THE EAGAN COURT MARTIAL.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—President McKinley announced to the Cabinet at its regular meeting, to-day, that he had named a court martial for Gen. Eagan.

Secretary Alger was not present at the Cabinet meeting, but with Adjutant General Corbin was at the White House in conference with the President on the subject prior to the Cabinet session. The order for the court-martial will probably be made to-day.

KILLED BY A BURSTING FLY WHEEL

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17.—Two persons were killed and two injured by the bursting of a fly wheel in Lorillard's tobacco factory in Jersey City, to-day. The dead are: James Delancey, engineer, and Norah McCarthy, a tobacco wrapper. The injured are May Hickey and Maggie Dillon.

VOTING FOR U. S. SENATOR.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

ALBANY, Jan. 17.—Chauncey M. Depew was the choice of the Assembly, to-day, for United States Senator, receiving eighty-four votes. The minority vote was solidly given to Edward Murphy, Jr., who received sixty votes.

The Complaint Withdrawn

H. W. Corey procured another search warrant, to-day, and found a vise at Engineer Budd's house, which had been taken from the Casino. Afterwards a settlement was affected, by which Mr. Budd paid what Mr. Corey claimed was due him and the complaint against Mr. Budd was withdrawn.

Has Leased the Hill House, Florida.

John C. Rogers, of Monroe, who has leased the hotel formerly occupied by John H. McCune, at Florida, was in town, to-day. He states that he will assume the management of the hotel, Monday next.

Mr. McCune's plans have not been announced.

Attending the Clericus of the Highlands

Rector David J. Evans went to Newburgh, to-day, to attend the meeting of the Clericus of the Highlands. He gave a paper on the "Sunday School Problem." The session was held at the Palatine.

State and County Tax Collection.

The total amount of taxes collected to date is $31,354.41, leaving a balance of $5,520.11 uncollected.

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CUTICURA RESOLVENT, the new blood purifier and greatest of humor cures, purifies the blood and circulating fluids of HUMOR GERMS, and thus removes the cause, while warm baths with CUTICURA SOAP and gentle anointings with CUTICURA (ointment), greatest of emollient skin cures, cleanse the skin and scalp of crusts and scales, allay itching, burning, and inflammation, soothe and heal, thus completing the cure.

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THE PAY OF THE VOLUNTEERS.

United States Authorities Plan to Deduct the Difference Between State and United States Pay—State Will Make Up the Difference to the Volunteers.

If the recent decision of the Secretary of the Treasury concerning the deductions to be made from the final pay of the volunteers remaining in the service of the United States after January 1, 1899, is carried into effect, the result will be that each of the eighty-one enlisted men of Company I, of this city, who left the armory on May 2d last, for Camp Black, will be mulcted in sums varying from $13.16 to $18.54, according to the rank they then held and length of their service in the National Guard.

The State ~~of New~~ York pays its soldiers, when in active service, at the rate of $1.25 per day for privates and $1.50 a day for non-commissioned officers, with an additional allowance of 25 cents a day for each five years' continuous service in the guard. The United States pays privates 52 cents per day; corporals, 60 cents, and sergeants, 72 cents.

The sums above mentioned represent the difference between the State pay and the United States pay for the eighteen days the men served before being mustered into the United States service, and which was paid to them by the State of New York.

Just why this amount is to be deducted by the United States is not clear, and to the men it looks like a gross injustice.

Governor Roosevelt has taken the matter in hand, and has placed himself in communication with the War and Treasury Departments, with a view to having the order rescinded, and apparently anticipating the failure of his move, caused a bill to be introduced in the assembly, Monday night, whereby the State will pay the sums if the United States deducts them.

Another bill was introduced, Monday night, by Mr. Finn, of New York, providing that the State Treasurer shall pay to every person who volunteered and was mustered into the service of the United States in any of the regiments, battalions, companies or troops, or in the naval reserve, of the State of New York in the late war, a sum equal to $7 for each month of such service. No person shall be entitled to the benefits of this act for any period subsequent to the conclusion of a treaty of peace between the United States and Spain. The money is to be paid from liquor tax receipts.

The Ravages of Grip.

That modern scourge, the Grip, poisons the air with its fatal germs, so that no home is safe from its ravages, but multitudes have found a sure protection against this dangerous malady in Dr. King's New Discovery. When you feel a soreness in your bones and muscles, have chills and fever, with sore throat, pain in the back of the head, catarrhal symptoms and a stubborn cough you may know you have the Grip, and you need Dr. King's New Discovery. It will promptly cure the worst cough, heal the inflamed membranes, kill the disease germs and prevent the dreaded after effects of the malady. Price 50 cents and $1. Money back if not cured. A trial bottle free at J. J. Chambers's drug store.

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MARRIED.

SUFFERN—FINERTY—In this city, Jan. 16th, '99, by Rev. Frank A. Heato, David Wells Suffern, of Middletown, and Helen Amelia Finerty, of Kenoza Lake.

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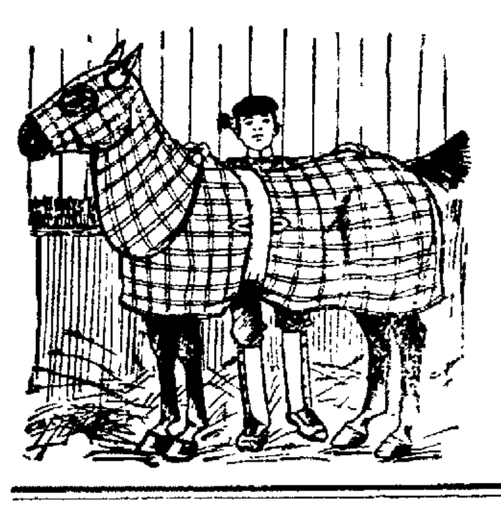

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—See adv. New York Life Insurance Co.
—Fresh cereals at Bull & Youngblood's.
—Sale at Children's Bazaar, to-morrow.
—Sale of housekeepers' goods at Churchill's.
—Choice eating apples at C. N. Predmore's.
—Goods at hard pan prices at B. F. Codd's.
—Baled shavings for sale by Houston Bros'.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Remember that the third page of this paper contains good local matter, to-day.

—The Board of Health meets to-night.

—Regular meeting of Capt. Jackson Post, to-night.

—The financial report of St. Joseph's Church will be given Sunday.

—M. Stangl, the celebrated Hungarian violinist, to-night, at Bradnack's. 1t

—Go to the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium, to-night, and hear the jubilee singers. Admission free. 1t

—A. M. Sparks received the Pledge of Honor at Umpqua Tribe, I. O. R. M., last evening.

—Christ Church, Poughkeepsie, will receive $10,000 by the death of Kate E. Van Kleeck, of that city.

—The name of the woman sick with small pox in Newburgh, as mentioned elsewhere, is Terwilliger.

—Real estate men say that there is considerable inquiry for farms and that a number of deeds are pending.

—Martha Washington Rebekah Lodge will hold a special meeting, Wednesday, at 2:30 p. m., at the lodge rooms.

—To-night, Mme. Goerka, one of the greatest singers of modern times, at Bradnack's. Tickets 35 and 50 cts. 1t

—Hot drinks, beef tea, clam bouillon, tomato bouillon, chocolate, lemon and coffee, at Laskaris, 34 North street. tf

—Corporal E. Madden Decker resumed the superintendency of the Orange County Milk Association plant, near Goshen, to-day.

—The stock of goods in the Children's Bazaar, 116 North street, will be sold at auction, under chattel mortgage, tomorrow, at 2:30 o'clock.

—The runaway horse, which was stopped by Emmett Mikles, of the ARGUS force, the other day, did not belong to Charles Keener, as stated.

—The police have consented to allow maskers who attend the O.&W. employes' ball, tomorrow night, to wear their masks through the streets.

—A special meeting of Gen. Lyon, W. R. C., No. 180, will be held at Mrs. Doyle's, 104 North street, Wednesday evening, Jan. 18, at 8 o'clock.

—Remember the grand masquerade ball of the New York, Ontario and Western employes, which occurs at the Assembly Rooms, tomorrow night.

—"Joker" Dolson, of Newburgh, was sent to Albany penitentiary for four months, Monday, for stealing sixty cents from the till of a Broadway saloon.

—The Higginson Manufacturing Company has been incorporated to continue the business which H. C. Higginson has so successfuly conducted at Newburgh for the past twenty years.

—The Haramans, late from Keith's, are at the Cottage Theatre, Mechanictown, this week, in their sensational novelty, aerial act, the revolving ladder trapeze. 1t

—Members of the L. A. W. in this city are much pleased with the *L. A. W. Bulletin*, which, since Jan. 1st, has appeared in an enlarged form and with several new and interesting features.

—The fare to Ellenville and return is ninety-two cents, and those who go there to take in the "Chimes of Normandie" will be welcome on the special train on which the company will return.

—The weather we are having now is a very good imitation of what we ought to have late in March, or early in April. The pessimists say, however, that we'll pay for it by having January weather then.

—The committee in charge of the "Ladies Night," to be given, to-morrow evening, under the auspices of Concordia Council, No. 1,077, Royal Arcanum, report that all arrangements have been completed.

—Field's minstrels, to-morrow night, will draw a large house. Al. G. Field will walk at the head of his troupe in the noonday parade, and then everybody who knows him will feel impelled to go and buy a ticket.

PERSONAL.

—Dr. H. C. McBrair has returned to his professional duties.

—George H. Decker went to New York, to-day, on legal business.

—Frank Crissman, the well known hotel man of Milford, was in town, to-day.

—Mrs. Cristiani and Miss Mabel Cristiani, of "The Maples," went to New York, to-day.

—Benjamin Schellenbergh, who has been visiting in town, returned to Boston, to-day.

—Charles Garland, of Middletown, spent Sunday with his brother, Francis, in this village.—*Port Jervis Union.*

—E. D. C. Crans' condition, to-day, is about as on Monday. He is very weak and there seems but slight chance for his recovery.

—Miss Essie Miller, an attendant at the Middletown State Hospital, was visiting friends in town, Sunday.—*Port Jervis Union.*

—Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Foquet, of New York, who have been visiting their son, L. D. Foquet, of this city, returned home, last evening.

—William Byram Miller, clerk for J. C. Runyon, who has been ill with pleurisy for the past ten days, shows a little improvement to-day.

—Walter L. Benedict, of the First National Bank, who, for two weeks, has been under treatment at Thrall Hospital, was able to ride out, to-day.

—G. H. Iseman received a letter, to-day from Brother John, of the Trappist Brothers, of the Abbey Tre Fontane, just out of Rome, Italy, urging him to visit the brothers, this spring, and renew acquaintances made during Mr. Iseman's European trip.

—Rev. Father Lenes, rector of the church at Tivoli, who came to Middletown to attend the funeral of his old friend, Michael Gavin, was a welcome caller at the ARGUS office, this afternoon. Father Lenes was assistant pastor of St. Joseph's Church a number of years ago, and this is his first visit here in five years.

PUT A BULLET IN HIS BRAIN.

Suicide of Edward Thurston, Goshen's Overseer of the Poor—Had Used Several Hundred Dollars of the Town's Money and Dared Not Face the Town Board—Details of the Tragedy.

Edward Thurston, who for seven or eight years has held the office of overseer of the poor of the town of Goshen, committed suicide, Monday afternoon, at his home in that village by shooting himself in the head.

Mr. Thurston had been out of employment much of the time for the last few years and had used the town's poor fund to meet his personal expenses until he was $400 or $500 short in his accounts. He was to have met the Town Board, Monday, for a settlement, but had not the courage to face them and instead of attending the meeting went home and put a bullet in his brain.

About two months ago Mr. Thurston was given employment as watchman at the jail at $2 a day, and soon after securing that job he confessed to R. B. Hock, Goshen's Republican boss, that he had used the town's money and asked what he could do. Mr. Hock said there would probably be no disposition to bear down on him, and that with his wages as watchman, and the $300 a year which he received as salary from the town he ought in two years to make up the shortage. It is said that Supervisor Wells, when he learned of Thurston's shortage, reproached him for what he had done, and insisted that the shortage must be made good, and it is assumed that this was one of the reasons why Thurston shrank from meeting the Town Board.

When Thurston went home at noon, Monday, his wife noticed that he was very pale and anxiously inquired if he was feeling badly. He said that he was, and without eating much dinner he left the house. He returned at 2:30 o'clock. One of Mrs. Thurston's friends was calling at the time and Thurston went up stairs to his room, undressed and got into bed and, pulling the clothes up about his head, shot himself in the right temple. Mrs. Thurston and her caller heard the muffled report of the pistol but could not make out what the noise was and seeing an agent in the street distributing samples, assumed that the sound they heard had been caused by something thrown against the door of the house. They gave the matter no further thought and went on with their talk.

About 4.30 o'clock Mrs. Thurston went up stairs to see how her husband was and to ask what he would like for supper. Receiving no reply to her questions she entered the room and going to the bed was horrified to find him dead and the bedding stained with blood. Dr. Seward, who was at once summoned, said that the wound must have caused instant death.

Mr. Thurston was thirty-nine years old. He was married, twenty years ago, to Hattie Knapp, at Denton, by Rev. Mr. Hick, at that time pastor of the Denton Church. Two children, Eugene, aged nineteen years, and Sadie, aged sixteen, survive.

The deceased was a member of Wawastawa Tribe, I. O. R. M., and an active honorary member of Elliott Hook and Ladder Company.

The town will lose nothing by the shortage in the poor fund, as it was protected by bonds, Postmaster Theodore Smith and Richard Wood, the grocer, being Thurston's sureties.

A great deal of sympathy was heard in Goshen for Mrs Thurston by an ARGUS reporter, this morning. She has been a faithful, brave-hearted woman under trying circumstances. Her husband was a kind hearted, devoted man and that he should have done this rash deed is greatly regretted.

Besides his immediate family Mr. Thurston is survived his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. P. Thurston. They were once residents of Middletown, but now reside in Jersey City. He is also survived by three sisters, Anna, Flora and Carrie, all of whom are married, and by one brother, James.

Coroner Decker went to Goshen, Monday evening, and empaneled a jury. The inquest was held, this morning. Mrs. Thurston's statement was read and Dr. F. W. Seward, Jr., testified that he found the bullet at the base of the brain, it having taken an oblique course, downward and backward through the brain.

The jury rendered a verdict of death from a pistol shot, self-inflicted.

Meeting of Universalist Young People's Society.

The Universalist Young People's Society will meet, to-morrow evening, with Mr. and Mrs. George Bowers, 3 Wallkill avenue. The programme will include music, addresses pertaining to the society's work, refreshments and a social time. All young people interested are invited.

Good health is worth more than anything else to you, and every bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla contains good health.

OBITUARY.

Charles Vaninwegen.

Charles Van Inwegen died, Saturday night, at his home near Tri-States, aged sixty-six years. Death was due to paresis. He was actively interested in Christian work during nearly all his long life. Two sons, a daughter and four sisters survive.

Edwin H. Bugbee.

Edwin H. Bugbee, principal of Port Jervis Academy, died in this city, Sunday afternoon, aged forty-three years. Death was due to complications following the grip.

Mr. Bugbee came to Port Jervis in 1893, and has done most excellent work as an educator having greatly raised the standard of the academy.

He is survived by his widow, who was Emma A. J Bugbee, of Lawrence, Mass., and three children.

Mrs. Charles C. P. Clark.

Mrs. Mary Hodge Clark, wife of Dr. Charles C. P. Clark, of Oswego, died at her home in that city, Monday morning, of pneumonia, after an illness of about a week.

Mrs. Clark was the mother of Charles Clark, of this city, and had been a frequent visitor at his home here. She was a woman of unusual culture and refinement and her life was adorned by all the christian graces.

Her death is the third that has occurred in the family within a few weeks, George T. Clark, a son, died early in December and Dr. Clark died suddenly last Wednesday. Mrs. Clark was so critically ill that she was not informed of her husband's death.

Two sons, Charles, of this city, and James F., of New York city, and a daughter, Mary H., of Oswego, survive.

Mrs. Caroline H. Young.

Mrs. Caroline Hanford Young, widow of Charles Young, a former well known resident of this county, died Monday in New York city, at the home of her son-in-law, Justice Henry W. Bookstaver, of the Supreme Court. Death was due to the infirmities of age

Mrs. Young was born Dec. 17, 1814, and was the daughter of the late Dr. David Hanford, the first physician who practiced in the village of Middletown. Her maternal grandfather, Capt. Daniel Bailey, commanded a noted organization of cavalrymen in the Revolutionary War. She was reared in Middletown, and educated in a young ladies' seminary at Goshen. In 1835 she was married to Charles Young, who owned large real estate interests in this county. They lived at Campbell Hall, until the death of Mr. Young, in 1889. Mrs. Young went to live with her daughter, Mrs. Bookstaver, after her husband's death. She was much interested in charitable work, particularly that in behalf of the colored people and Indians of this country, and she gave largely to Hampton Institute, as well as to Park College, a Western institution.

The funeral will be held this afternoon, and the body will be brought to Montgomery, for the burial in the Brick Church Cemetery.

O. AND W.'S NORWICH SHOPS.

All the Machinists Laid Off—The Rolling Stock in such Good Condition That There is No Work for Them—Machinery Not To Be Moved.

All the machinists in the Ontario and Western shops at Norwich are to be laid off and other reductions made in the forces there.

The reason assigned is that the rolling stock of the road has been put in such excellent condition that there is no work for the shops to do. For three years or more the Norwich shops, in addition to the regular work of repairing, have been kept busy in reconstructing old engines. All these have been put in good condition and the road now finds itself with more engines than it needs as shown by the recent leasing of nine of its rebuilt engines to the West Shore.

The Norwich *Sun* says it is assured that there is no intention to permanently close the Norwich shops, or to move any of the machinery to Middletown. For the present, however, the bulk of the road's repairs will be made in the Middletown shops.

The *Sun* says:

"Just how many men will be thrown out of employment cannot be stated, but it is understood that the machinists and boiler makers will practically be thrown out altogether, and a part of the blacksmiths. The car constructing department has been running with a full force for some time, and work in this department will be increased, though to what extent cannot be said. The work there at present is the construction of a number of coal gondolas.

The changes made at Norwich will have no effect upon the Middletown shops.

Michael Gavin's Funeral.

The funeral of the late Michael Gavin was held at St. Joseph's Church, at 11 o'clock, this morning, and was very largely attended. Rev. Father Lennes, formerly of St. Joseph's and now of Tivoli, sang the solemn high requiem mass, Rev. Father McClancy being deacon and Rev. Father O'Hanlon being subdeacon. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery, the bearers being Wm. Burke, Peter Cummings, Simon Hopkins, John Vail, Owen Maguire and Patrick Doyle.

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AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN TOWN.

A Policeman Reprimanded for Non-Performance of Duty—No Services in St. James—Exchange of Pulpits.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

—Owing to the absence of Rector Betts there will be no services at St. James' Church, this week.

—Next Sunday Rev. R. B. Clark will exchange pulpits with Rev. Mr. Hudnut, of Brooklyn, a former pastor of the Port Jervis Presbyterian Church.

—At the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, last night, the street pay roll of $40 was audited. The matter under consideration by the board concerning the alleged non-performance of duty by a police officer was disposed of. The complainant, who is a hotelkeeper, alleged that on the night of Dec. 5 a disorderly woman discharged a pistol near his establishment and that the officer when called upon to arrest her refused to do so. The defendant appeared with two witnesses and testified that no firearm was discharged. The board concluded from the evidence that no firearm was discharged, but that the officer was remiss in his duty in not investigating the complaint. He was reprimanded by the board and there the matter ended.

RED MEN'S POW-WOW.

Annual Meeting of the Hudson Valley Association—Election of Officers.

The annual pow-wow of the Hudson Valley Association of Red Men was held at Cornwall, Jan. 13, and the following officers were elected:

President—Egbert Palmer, Cornwall.
Vice Presidents—John Orr, 1st district Orange Co.; Warner Hook, 2d district Orange Co.; H. P. Demorest, Rockland Co.; A. M. Scriber, Sullivan Co.; John Royce, Ulster Co.; Randolph Plusch, Greene Co.
Secretary—Chas. Bacon, Haverstraw.
Treasurer—Lucien B. Myers, Warwick.
Sergeant-at-Arms—W. D. Smith, Cornwall.
Trustees—John D. Rippert, Ellenville; James Allot, Cornwall; I. D. Smith, Turners.

The next pow-wow will be held in Catskill, July 14, 1899.

Wednesday Night's Minstrel Performance Will Not Be Cut.

It being rumored around the city that the Al. G. Field minstrels, who are to appear at the Casino, to-morrow night, will not give their programme in full, as they have to catch a late train on the night of the performance. Mr. Lea wishes us to say that the show will be given in full and that not one act will be omitted or cut in any way as Mr. Field does not not leave the city until the morning after the performance.

The Flour Was All Right.

Several weeks ago four cars loaded with flour ran into the Hudson while being put on board the transfer steamer Hart at Newburgh. A few days ago, one of the bags of flour, that had floated out of one of the cars, was found on a cake of ice near Carthage Landing. It was in good condition, except a hard coating on the outside of the flour where it had become wet.

Their Birthdays Celebrated.

Monday was the birthday of E. W. Van Duzer and also of his brothers-in-law, Lieut. A. L. Decker and Corporal E. Madden Decker. It was celebrated by a dinner at E. W. Van Duzer's. Major Decker, of Paterson, was in the party.

Obituary Notes.

—Geo. Dean, a West Shore engineer, well known in this city, was found dead in his bed at Union Hill, with all gas turned on, Sunday.

—Robert Downey, a prominent grain and coal shipper, of Oswego, who died Monday night, aged sixty years, was the father of Mrs. George T. Clark, whose husband, a brother of Charles Clark, of this city, died a few weeks ago about a month after their marriage.

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Coroner Decker was notified of Mr. Thurston's death, Monday, and went to Goshen and arranged for holding an inquest.

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This sluggish pulse of mine,
Which scarce doth creep,
A faster pace to keep?
For life seems only half awake.
That which was once a song divine,
And set my heart a-throbbing to its note.
Is now a discord in a minor key,
And lost its melody
Ambition is an art which lies supine.
For like a boat
Battered and beaten by the storms gone by—
Tossed high upon the beach,
Beyond the grasping reach
Of tortuous wave and cruel tide,
My shattered hopes and aspirations lie.
Indifferent to whatever fate betide am I.
Perchance on some auspicious day
A careless rover on life's restless sea
Will anchor slip
Anear my grounded ship,
Recalk the seams, and set the sail a-taut
To catch the breeze, then anchor weigh,
And turn her prow towards some friendly port.

—Arthur D. F. Randolph, in Lippincott's.

About a Fellow Countryman.

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YEARS ago I was employed as an expert engineer by a European government, and chanced to be closely tied down at our hotel by my wife's serious illness. Being thus alone and depressed, I welcomed the sight of a fellow countryman, solitary like myself.

We met for several days, both at table and in the smoking-room, and as our acquaintance ripened the conversation naturally drifted to a topic of mutual interest, ordnance or gunnery.

"I have come to Europe," said my friend, who was a man of some 50 winters, "to introduce a patent."

"Ah, that is interesting," said I.

"Yes, I have worked for years upon the loading of heavy guns and have reached what I consider a happy result."

"And have you presented your papers to the war office?" I inquired.

"Well, that is the trouble," exclaimed Col. Holden, whose face flushed with suppressed irritation. "I have done so, with no success."

"But what was the reply—what were their reasons for not trying or examining your model?" I asked.

"There has been no reply," he blurted out, his indignation showing itself more and more.

"Ah, that is strange," said I. "I am closely connected with the officers of the department, and though I cannot say they are quick to adopt innovations, they are always courteous to those who present themselves and will usually, at least, make a fair examination."

"Well, I don't see what is wrong with my papers," said the choleric colonel, as I now observed him to be. "Since you are acquainted with those matters, it can do no harm to show you my papers, and if you will have alike patience and kindness you may throw some light upon my quandaries."

"I am quite at your service," I assured him, and so we appointed a time when I should go to his room.

The next day, at the hour named, I rapped at his door. It was promptly opened and the colonel ushered me in with evidences of excitement. A gun, about the size of one used on a pleasure yacht, a little beauty, stood as if ready for action, in one corner of the room, while the large center table was covered with papers.

"To commence with, here is a copy of my letter to the war office."

I took up the sheet and controlled my features while I read a plain statement "that in view of the utter ignorance and deplorable lack of advancement in the European ordnance," the writer almost from a sense of pity would show the —— war office how to convert their very ancient guns into modern ones if invited to make a test of the model which he had brought.

This was followed by a second and a third note requesting an audience or a hearing. And to none had there come any reply.

"Well, my friend," said I, after looking with considerable surprise at the model and the patent, which was marvelously clever, "I fear you have not been happy in your tone toward those officials. You see, though you may consider them behind the time, it is best not to tell them so, and if you like I will undertake to get you, not only a hearing, but a trial."

He thanked me heartily, and the following day I found myself at the war office. "Herr von Staed," said I to the secretary, a dignified, courteous man, "a countryman of mine chances to be at my hotel, and though he is, perhaps, what we term a rough diamond, an old soldier as well, he has certainly struck a clever invention which would be of use to you."

"Indeed!" said the secretary, "may I ask who your friend is, and what is his invention?"

"His name is Holden."

At which the secretary smiled and drew from a pigeon hole the eccentric communication, copies of which I had already seen.

"I fear your friend is over-burdened with conceit," observed the secretary. "Are you sure he has a good thing?"

"Yes," I said, "and if you will accept my apology for his indiscreet and awkward style, I will undertake to reduce him to greater respect."

The secretary motioned to a domestic near the door and told him to request Lieut. Stalehaver to join us. When the young officer appeared the secretary kindly said, "Lieut. Stalehaver, please listen to Mr Thompson's account of the invention offered to us last week in those extraordinary letters."

"After I had explained the invention, "Good," said the honorable secretary, "Lieut. Stalehaver, form a committee of three officers and wait upon this gentleman. Bring me the result."

I repaired at once to Col. Holden with the good news, and some days later not only an investigation was made, but the model was tested.

I was absorbed in other matters and also greatly disturbed by my wife's illness, so only from time to time did I see my American friend, whose choleric propensities had changed into bland amiability and high spirits.

Seated at dinner one evening, my quiet was disturbed by the excitement of Col. Holden, who grasped me by the hand and, seating himself by my side, exclaimed:

"My dear Mr. Thompson, how can I ever thank you? My fortune is made. The government is going to cut all of their old guns in two and introduce my loading apparatus. I shall order myself a yacht at once and arm her with small guns, all or my model."

"Not so fast—not so fast," said I

"But," he rattled on, "I have a farm in Illinois overlooking the lake, a stunning sight! I shall build me a house and surround it by a fort mounted with these guns." And on he rattled, with plans equally wild. Then he subsided and ate his dinner like a hungry man.

Eleven o'clock Thursday morning was set for the great test of the new gun. The war officials, at their own expense, had cut down one of their large guns and altered it with the colonel's new loading apparatus.

Wednesday evening, in greater excitement than ever, he sent for me and asked me to accompany him to the testing grounds the next day, which I consented to do.

I was somewhat detained on Thursday morning, for my wife had grown worse, but arranging for her comfort, I hastened to the colonel's room, hoping to catch him there and rush with him in a carriage, which I had ordered, to the testing grounds. I knocked at No. 179, but no answer came, and after several knocks I made my way quickly to the office.

"Where is Col. Holden?" I asked the clerk.

"In his room, sir, I suppose," answered he.

"Then he must be asleep, for I have knocked loudly and received no reply."

"Would you like me to go to his room with you? Perhaps your wife is ill and Col. Holden could be of service to you," he ventured, in surmise to explain my haste and excitement.

"No," said I, as we hurried up the stairs, "we had an official appointment and have scarcely time to get to the testing grounds now."

We reached the door and knocked even louder than before. No answer came, and the clerk turned the knob of the door, which offered no resistance. But where was the colonel? Gone, the model gun—bag and baggage, the inmate had departed. I could not understand, but leaving the stupefied clerk staring blankly, I rushed down and jumped into the carriage which was waiting.

"War office," I said.

At the office I was admitted without ceremony to the secretary's presence.

"Have the officers gone to the testing ground?" I asked, quite breathlessly.

"You have just missed them," replied the secretary, "but if you drive rapidly you will overtake them."

"Then you have heard no news of our inventor?" I returned.

"Only that he is to meet our officers for the test trial."

"I beg your pardon for my precipitate visit, and will hurry as you suggested. I fear there is some mystery, for which I hope you will not hold me responsible."

I was gone before Herr von Staed could ask an explanation, and drove madly to the testing grounds. I did not overtake the officers, but found them already giving their orders in preparation for the trial.

"Has Col. Holden arrived?" I asked, immediately.

"No, we are waiting for him. But what could detain him? We had wagered he would be ordering the gunners about before we could get here."

"Well, gentlemen," I said, reluctantly, "you might proceed with the trial. Col. Holden has left his hotel, bag, baggage and gun."

"By jove, that's like the mighty inventor," said young Lieut. Stein. "Kind of a disappearing gun carriage, eh, fellows?"

"He'll come around later to claim the boodle," said another officer, "for he has mighty plans for yachts and castles on an American lake."

"Well, gentlemen," said I, "report upon this trial as favorably as possible; and I will try and find the colonel. Au revoir," and I drove back to my hotel.

The clerk stood at the door waiting for me.

"A messenger from the railroad station brought this, sir, after you left."

"Well, in the name of all that is queer! The colonel is honest, if eccentric."

The envelope contained a check for the hotel bill, with neither word nor comment.

"What messenger brought this?"

"One of the regular porters, though he must have been well fed. I could get nothing out of him. Mum was the word."

I went to the railroad station. The booking agent knew the colonel by sight, and remembered selling him a ticket to Paris. I notified the war office, and though the government detectives were ordered to make an exhaustive search, our friend, the colonel, has never appeared upon the scene, even to claim the money.

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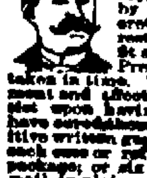

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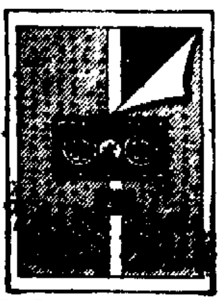

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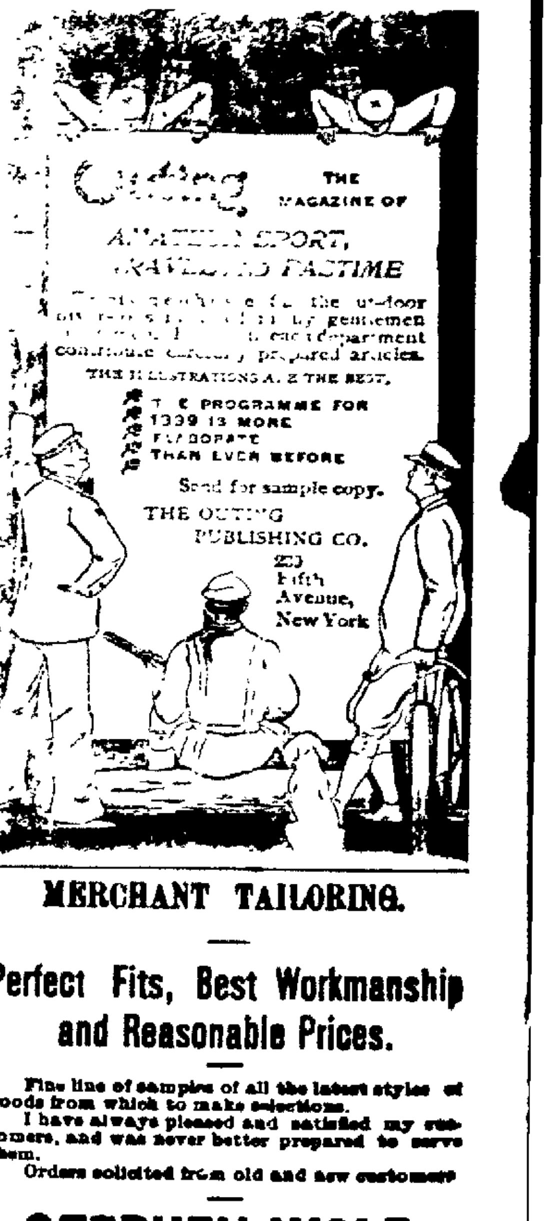
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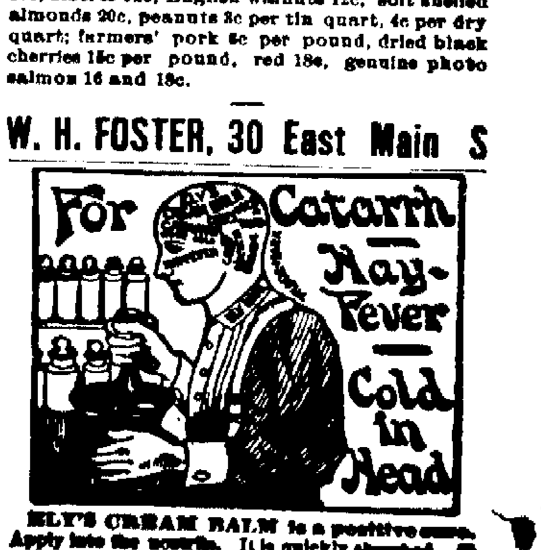

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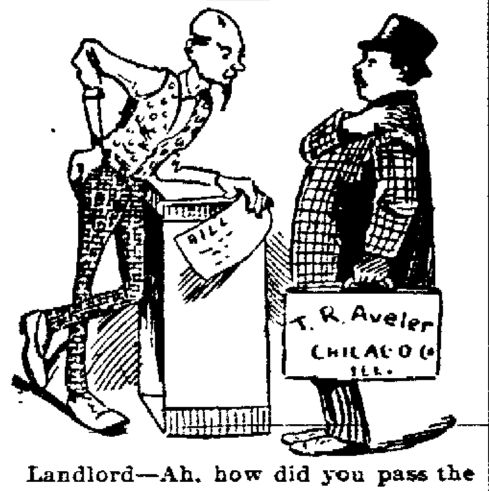

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What She Liked.

He (very much gone)—There's nothing half so sweet in life as love's young dream.

She—I don't know. Chocolates are pretty good.—Chicago Journal.

Too Often.

Doctor—Do you take a bath regularly? Once a week, I suppose?

Ancient Patient—Lor' bless you, no, sir! I hain't so dirty as all that!

Qualified to Do It.

"Did you know," said the tooth carpenter, looking up from his paper, "that the Indians practiced dentistry in the earliest times?"

"I didn't know it," replied the man who had once sat in a dentist's chair, "but I am not at all surprised. The Indians have always been a brutal and a cruel race."

Then he laughed gleefully, forgetful of the fact that there was still time for the dentist to add $15 or $20 to his bill.—Chicago Post.

Saw the New Bonnet.

Mrs. Billson—So you met Mrs. De Fashion on the street? I'm so glad. They say she is wearing a new bonnet just imported. Did you see it?

Mr. B.—Y-e-s, I noticed it.

Mrs. B.—That's splendid. How was it trimmed?

Mr. B.—Well, it had a cowcatcher in front, a tailboard behind, a flower garden on top, and a job lot of assorted ribbons all round. You can easily make one like it.—N. Y. Weekly.

When Women Rule.

"Just think how delightful must be the consciousness of power," she said. "Just think of the number of people that a queen rules!"

"Oh, I don't know," he replied. "Unless she happens to be married I don't believe she is really so much of a ruler as most other women."—Chicago Post.

There's Millions in It.

The man who sneered and asked: "What's in a name?"
Thought he held wisdom firmly by the neck.
'Tis very plain to thinkers, just the same,
Old Shake' ne'er dreamed of Gould's name on a check.
—Harlem Life.

Not to Be Expected.

Mrs. Spatts (nee Gotrox)—You're a perfect brute! I actually believe you married me simply because of my money.

Mr. Spatts—Well, my dear, you'd hardly expect a man to take such an important step without some reason.—Harlem Life.

No Details Needed.

Mrs. Blank—The paper tells of a postmaster who was appointed by John Quincy Adams, and has held the position ever since. Was he an unusually good man, do you think?

Mr. Blank (an experienced citizen)—Oh, not at all, not at all. It was an unusually poor office.—N. Y. Weekly.

Figuring It Out.

"Have you any idea how old Mrs. Wexford is?"

"Well, no, not exactly, but she must be pretty well down in the 20s yet. I heard Mrs. Bloxham say the other day that she didn't believe the lady was 'a day over 35.'"—Chicago Daily News.

Hubby Holds the Record.

Polite Shopman (showing goods)—Here is something I would like to call your attention to, madam. It is the very latest thing out.

Mrs. Rounder (absently)—If there's anything out later than my husband I'll take it, if only as a curiosity.—Tit-Bits.

No Doubt True.

The frequent change in women's fashions,
I am inclined to think you'll find,
Was arranged by those who make them
To correspond with a woman's mind.
—Chicago Daily News.

BRIGHT THING TO GET OFF.

Proud Father—That boy of mine gets off so many bright things.

Visitor (nervously)—He does, eh? Would you mind asking him to get off that high hat of mine?—Golden Days.

Paradoxical.

We teach a baby how to talk
And then seek with a will
And mildly yearn to have it learn
The art of keeping still.
—L. A. W. Bulletin.

A Veteran.

"Why should Blakesley boast about his bravery? He has never been a soldier, has he?

"No, but he was a member of a church choir for several years."—Chicago Record.

Imagination.

Benny Dict—Liner writes about the responsibilities of great wealth, and he isn't worth a cent.

Henn Peck—Yes; and about the joys of married life, and he is married.—Puck.

Imbeciles Defined.

Johnnie Chaffie—I read in the paper about the new asylum for imbeciles. What are imbeciles? Are they people?

Mr. Chaffie—Of course they are. They are people just like you and I, Johnnie.—Tammany Times.

Quite a Religious War.

"I s'pose you noticed that the war had quite a religious flavor?" "No. In what way?" "All the yachts were converted and many of the rumors were confirmed."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Something Lacking.

Miss Thinn—Jack told me last night that my neck was like a column.

Miss Fatt—Yes, dear; he probably mean a want column.—N. Y. World.

The Right Place.

Some foolish fellows wait around
To kiss girls under mistletoes;
But the wise man's kiss is always placed
Beneath the happy maiden's nose.

NEW YORK ONTARIO & WESTERN

Time Table in Effect Sept. 25th, 1898.

NORTH BOUND.

STATIONS.	11 * Milk	1 Ont'l Day Exp	7 Sullivan Co Exp	5 * Chicago Lmt	13 Local		
N. Y. Leave	A M	A M	P M	P M			
Franklin St	3 20	7 40	3 00	5 45			
W. 42d St.,	3 30	7 55	3 15	6 15			
Weehawken	4 00	8 10	3 30	6 30			
Cornwall	6 10	9 45	5 00	7 50			
Firthcliffe	f6 23	f9 53	5 04				
Orr's Mills	f6 26	f9 56	f5 10				
Little Brit'n	6 40	f10 3	f5 20				
Burnside	6 56	f10 16	f5 24				
Campb'll H.	7 07	10 24	[illegible]	8 19			
Stony Ford	7 15	f10 37	f5 44				
M'town Main St.	7 33	10 42	5 58				
M'town ar	7 40	10 45	6 00	8 35			
M'town lv	8 43	¶10 53	6 15	¶8 45			
Winterton	9 10	f11 09	6 31				
Bloom'gb'gh	9 21	11 15	6 36				
Wurtsboro	9 25	11 19	6 40				
Summitville	9 38	11 30	6 50				
Ellenville ar	10 05	11 50	7 05				
Fallsburgh	10 32	12 05	7 20				
Hurleyville	10 53	12 12	7 27				
Ferndale	11 15	n12 22	7 38				
Liberty	11 30	12 29	7 44	9 50			
Parksville	11 45	12 40	7 55				
Liv'gst'n M'r	12 00	12 53	8 08	10 18			
Rockland	12 15	1 08	8 20				
Cadosia	1 20	2 00	P M	10 39	A M		
Walton	2 10	2 45	.....	11 32	8 05		
Maywood	.....	3 14	.....	.....	8 38		
Sidney	——	3 40	.....	12 15	9 02	41	
N'rwich ar	.....	4 25	.....	12 58	9 50	A M	
N'rwich lv	.....	4 30	.....	1 08	9 54	7 30	
Castle	.....	5 58	.....	n2 10	A M	9 10	
Oneida ar	.....	5 57	.....	2 12	.....	9 15	
Oneida lv	.....	6 10	.....	2 15	.....	9 20	
Fulton	.....	7 30	.....	n3 36	.....	10 58	
Oswego ar	.....	8 00	.....	3 45	.....	11 30	
	P M	P M		A M		A M	

SOUTH BOUND.

STATIONS.	6 * New Y'rk Exp	12 * Milk	50 Local	14 Delhi Ex	2 N Y Day Exp	42 Norwich Exp	8 Sullivan Co Exp
	A M	P M	A M		A M	P M	A M
Oswego lv	11 20		8 25		[illegible]	2 55	.....
Oneida ar	12 52		[illegible]		8 45	[illegible]	
Oneida lv	12 56		[illegible]		8 50	[illegible]	.....
Castle			[illegible] P M		[illegible]	[illegible]	.....
Norwich ar	2 10		6 00	6 45	10 37	7 15	.....
Norwich lv	2 14		P M	6 15	10 42	P M	.....
Sidney	3 05		.....	7 40	11 40	.....	.....
Maywood	.....		.....	7 58	11 57	.....	
Walton	3 50	12 15	.....	8 30	12 37	.....	
Cadosia	4 21	1 30	.....	p m	1 20	.....	
Rockland		2 38	.....	.....	2 10	.....	6 00
Liv'gst'n M'r	5 07	3 00	.....	.....	2 25	.....	6 14
Parksville		3 18	.....	.....	2 37	.....	6 25
Liberty	5 26	3 35			2 51	.....	6 36
Ferndale	.....	3 41		.....	n2 55	.....	6 41
Hurleyville	.....	4 01		.....	3 06	.....	6 50
Fallsburgh	.....	4 19		.....	3 14	.....	6 57
Centreville	.....	4 40	.....		n3 20	.....	7 04
Mount'n D.	.....	4 50			n3 25	.....	7 10
Summitville	6 06	5 10	.....		3 45	.....	7 26
Wurtsboro		5 20	.....		f3 58	.....	7 33
Bloom'g'bgh	.....	5 28	.....		3 57	.....	7 38
Winterton		5 34	.....	.....	n4 08	.....	f7 43
M'town ar	6 33	5 55	.....		4 15	.....	8 00
M'town lv	6 48	6 20	.....	.....	¶4 30	.....	¶8 10
M'town Main St.	.....	6 22	.....	.....	4 52	.....	8 12
Stony Ford	.....	6 59	.....		f4 46	——	f8 25
Campb'll H.	.....	7 15	.....		4 52	——	8 31
Burnside	.....	7 22	.....		f4 57	.....	f8 34
Little Brit'n	.....	7 38	.....		f5 08	.....	f8 46
Orr's Mills	.....	8 06	.....	.....	f5 19	.....	f8 53
Firthcliffe		8 10	.....		f5 21	.....	8 55
Cornwall	7 [illegible]	8 30	.....		5 [illegible]	.....	9 08
Weehawken	8 45	10 50	.....		7 00	.....	10 30
New York W. 42d St.,	8 55	11 00	.....		7 10	.....	10 40
N. Y., Fkln St ar	9 15	11 30	.....		7 25	.....	10 55
	P M	p m			P M		A M

* Runs daily, all other trains daily except Sunday.

f Signifies that trains will stop on signal for passengers.

n Signifies that trains will stop for or to leave New York passengers only.

¶ Stop for meals.

Trains leave Cadosia 6 10 a. m., 2 05 p. m. Sunday only 4 30 p m for Scranton, Carbondale and intermediate stations.

Trains leave Scranton 10 55 a. m., 4 15 p m. Sunday only 8 30 a. m. for Cadosia.

Trains leave Summitville for Ellenville 9 40, 11 30, a. m., and 3 50, 6 50 p. m.

Trains leave Ellenville for Summitville 7 00, 10 50 a. m., and 3.10 and 5 40 p. m.

Trains leave Delhi for Walton 7 20 and *11 00 a. m., and 4 45 p. m. Except Saturday 1 30 p. m. Sunday only 3 10 p m.

Trains leave Walton for Delhi 8 10 a. m., 3 45 and 8 35 p. m. Sunday only 9 15 a. m., and 2 15 p m. Except Saturday 12 37 p m.

Additional trains leave Livingston Manor at 1 35 p. m., stopping at all stations to Walton, arriving at 6 20 p. m. Leave Walton at 12 45 p. m. arrive at Norwich 5 30 p. m.

Leave Walton 7 00 a m, stopping at all stations to Livingston Manor, arriving at 12.35 p m. Leave Norwich 6 55 a m, all stations to Walton, arriving at 11 15 a m.

Trains leave Sidney for New Berlin 10.00 a m, *3 45 and 7 40 p m. Leave New Berlin for Sidney 7 40 and *10.03 a. m., and 2 10 p m.

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NORTH

New York Ferries	Daily a m	Daily ex Sun p m	Daily ex Sun p m
West 23d St.	8 10	......	3 50
Cortlandt and Desbrosses St.	8 30	......	4 10
Jersey City	8 46	......	4 25
Hackensack	9 14	......	4 50
Paterson (Broadway)	9 [illegible]	......	3 02
Paterson	9 29	......	5 04
Two Bridges	10 55	2 50	6 30
Ogdensburg	11 07	3 05	6 40
Franklin	11 12	3 15	3 46
Hamburg	11 20	3 25	6 54
Deckertown	11 28	3 40	7 03
Quarryville	11 36	3 52	7 10
Unionville	11 44	4 04	7 18
Westtown	11 49	4 15	7 24
Johnson	11 56	4 27	7 29
Slate Hill	12 00	4 37	7 34
Middletown	12 12	4 50	7 45

SOUTH.

	Daily ex Sun a m	Daily ex Sun a m	Daily p m
Middletown	6 30	7 12	5 04
Slate Hill	6 42	7 27	5 15
Johnson	6 48	7 35	5 21
Westtown	6 53	7 43	5 27
Unionville	6 58	7 55	5 34
Quarryville	7 06	8 07	5 43
Deckertown	7 14	8 30	5 51
Hamburg	7 22	8 46	6 00
Franklin Junction	f7 27	......	......
Franklin	7 29	8 56	6 07
Ogdensburg	7 34	9 06	6 12
Two Bridges	7 51	9 27	6 28
Paterson City	9 08	......	7 45
Paterson (Broadway)	9 05	10 36	7 48
Hackensack	9 16	10 47	8 01
Jersey City	9 38	11 12	8 27
New York Ferries—			
Cortlandt and Desbrosses St.	9 58	11 23	8 38
West 23d street	10 15	11 45	9 20

f—Stop on signal.

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TIME TABLE ADOPTED DEC. 11, '98.

Sun 18	S. Spc 620	S. Spc 606	14	22	8	2	30	6	38	28	16	26	10	12	Eastern Time.
P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	Arrive Leave
....	‡ 7:52	‡11:07	*12:52	† 9:52	* 7:52	* 6:57	† 6:42	* 3:35	†12:57	†10:37	† 9:22	† 8:52	* 8:00	* 6:17	NEW YORK
‡ 9:57	7:06	10:22	12:12	9:11	....	6:20	6:03	2:53	12:15	10:00	8:44	8:12	....	5:34	Paterson
8:53	5:54	9:08	11:18	8:23	....	5:36	4:55	1:42	11:26	9:10	7:56	7:18	6:38	4:44	Turners
8:35	6:45	9:01	....	8:18	....	....	4:45	1:34	....	9:01	7:49	7:06	....	....	Monroe
8:15	5:32	8:49	....	8:08	....	....	4:33	1:22	11:08	8:51	7:39	6:56	....	....	Greycourt
7:48	5:29	8:45	....	8:00	....	....	4:28	1:18	....	8:47	7:32	6:53	....	....	Chester
7:28	5:21	8.37	10:50	7:52	....	5:11	4:21	1:10	10:56	8:39	7:24	6:40	....	4:15	Goshen
7:00	5:08	8.23	10:39	7:32	5:55	5:00	4:06	12:54	10:44	8:23	7:09	† 6:25	6:01	4:04	Middletown
6:40	5:00	8:15	....	7:22	....	....	3:58	12:46	....	8:15	7:01	....	....	....	Howells
6:25	4:53	8:08	....	7:15	....	....	3:51	12:38	....	8:08	6:53	....	....	....	Otisville
‡ 5:45	‡ 4:30	‡ 7:45	*10:00	† 6:50	* 5:20	* 4:25	† 3:27	*12:15	†10:07	† 7:45	† 6:29	....	* 5:20	* 8:24	Port Jervis
P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	Lv. East Time. Ar.
....	....	....	....	....	* 3:00	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	* 9:20	CHICAGO
					P. M.									P. M.	Lv. Cent. Time. Ar.

Eastern Time.	17	21	1	9	11	33	[illegible]	27	15	25	29	7	8	S. Spc 601	S. Spc 625	S. Spc 617
Arrive Leave	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
NEW YORK	* 4:00	‡ 7:45	* 9:00	† 9:15	†10:30	† 1:00	* 2:00	† 3:00	† 4:30	† 5:30	† 6:30	* 7:30	* 9:15	‡ 7:30	‡12:30	‡ 7:30
Paterson	4:46	8:36	....	9:57	11:15	1:47	....	3:40	5:10	6:09	7:25	....	....	8:21	1:14	8:28
Turners	....	8:54	....	10:49	12:22	3:00	....	....	5:57	7:25	8:40	9:00	10:58	9:42	2:27	9:15
Monroe	....	[illegible]	....	....	12:27	3:05	....	....	6:02	7:30	8:45	....	....	9:47	2:32	9:50
Greycourt	6:06	10:12	....	11:01	12:41	3:19	....	4:38	6:17	7:45	8:55	....	....	9:59	2:44	10:01
Chester	....	[illegible]	....	....	12:44	3:22	....	....	6:21	7:48	8:58	....	....	10:02	2:47	10:04
Goshen	6:22	10:24	....	11:12	12:53	3:31	....	4:51	6:31	7:56	9:07	9:21	11:21	10:11	2:55	10:13
Middletown	6:47	10:41	b10 53	11:25	1:10	3:49	b4:16	5:06	6:49	† 8:12	9:21	9:34	11:39	10:28	3:11	10:29
Howells	7:02	10:49	....	....	1:18	3:57	....	....	6:58	....	f 9.29	....	....	10:34	3:20	f10:38
Otisville	7:21	10:59	....	....	1:27	4:06	....	....	7:07	....	f 9:38	....	....	10:45	3:29	f10:47
Port Jervis	* 7:55	†11:20	*11:30	†12:05	† 1:50	† 4:29	....	† 5:45	† 7:31	....	†10:00	*10:10	*12:23	‡11:10	‡ 3:52	‡11:11
Lv. East Time. Ar.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
CHICAGO	....	....	....	....	....	....	* 5:00	....	....	....	....	....	* 7:15	....	....	....
Lv. Cent. Time. Ar.							P. M.						A. M.			

*Daily. ‡Sundays only. †Except Sunday. b. Stops for passengers to Binghamton and beyond.

Middletown & Crawford Branch—Sunday leave Main St., 11:10 a. m.; leave Main St., Middletown, for Pine Bush at 11:40 a. m., daily, except Sunday; 6:55 p. m. daily.

Montgomery Branch—Leave Goshen for Montgomery at 7:27 a. m., daily except Sunday; 11:20 a. m. daily, except Sunday; 4:54 p. m., daily except Sunday and holidays; 6:31 p. m., holidays only.

Pine Island Branch—Leave Goshen for Pine Island at 11:20 a. m. and 6:35 p. m. daily except Sunday.

Newburgh, via Turners—Leave Turners for Newburgh at 7:35 a. m., daily, except Sunday and holidays; 10:50 a. m., daily, except Sunday only; 9:00 p. m. daily; 10:25 p. m., Sundays. Trains 30 and 2 connects for Newburgh via Arden, instead of Turners.

Newburgh, via Greycourt—Leave Greycourt at 7:45 a. m., daily except Sundays and holidays; 11:10 a. m., daily, except Sunday; 1:28 p. m. daily, except Sundays and holidays; 6:20 p. m., daily except Sunday; 5:37 p. m., Sundays only.

Trains Nos. 6, 11, 15, 16, 21, 22, 25, 26, [illegible], 30, 38 and Sunday Specials 601, 606, 625 stop at Main street, Middletown.

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ON THE TIP OF THE TONGUE.

The recent issue of *Munsey's* says in its comments upon Stephen Crane and other literary lights, that

The American admirers of Stephen Crane did not know that the young author had taken unto himself a wife, till they learned by cable that it was Mrs. Crane who had persuaded Harold Frederic, a few days before his death, to give up his Christian Science doctor and send for a regular practitioner. During her husband's absence in Cuba, Mrs. Crane remained in England.

It was thought early in "Steve's" career that he was casting about in this city for a wife, but the match planned by the know alls here did not go through. After "Steve" got to prowling about New York at night, studying character, he forgot his Middletown lady love.

As will be seen in another column, Lieut. Decker, Corporal Decker and Ed. W. Van Duzer have their birthday on the same day, and of late years it is annually celebrated at the home of one of the trio. Last year while the festivities were in progress Coroner Decker was summoned to Goshen, where a shoemaker on Prospect street had shot himself.

Monday night, when the dinner was about to be served word came from Goshen that Edward, or as he is better known "Roger" Thurston, who lived right across the street from the dead shoemaker's home, had shot himself.

EPWORTH LEAGUE.

Business and Social Meeting at the Church Monday Evening.

The Epworth League of St. Paul's Church held a regular business session at the church, Monday night, followed by a social. President Elliott presided. L. J. Davey resigned as treasurer and O. B. Hill was elected to the office. The social programme following included selections by the choir, a paper by Miss Indamora M. Benton, and a paper by O. B. Hill on Honolulu and Hilo. The singing of national hymns concluded the evening's entertainment.

HYMENEAL.

Purdy—Borden.

At 8:30 o'clock, to-night, the marriage of George Carr Purdy, formerly of this city, to Miss Frances Colburn Borden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Borden, will be solemnized in the First Presbyterian Church, Chicago, Ill. A reception will be held at 9 o'clock, at 12 Groveland Park. Mr. Purdy and his bride will go abroad to spend their honeymoon. They will be at home at the above address Tuesdays, March 7th and 14th.

Muldoon's Picnic, Saturday Night.

Muldoon's Picnic, the play that made Barry and Fay famous and rich, is known as the funniest of all musical farce comedies, and its presentation at the Casino, next Saturday night, is sure to draw out all theatre goers who wish to enjoy a hearty laugh. Barney Ferguson, the star of the company, is a well known and popular Irish comedian, who is unctuously funny at all times. He can tell a story, sing a song or dance a reel or hornpipe with the best of them. In Muldoon's Picnic he is seen at his best as a fun maker, and he is ably assisted by a selected company of excellent comedians, singers and dancers, who will introduce a number of new, original and catchy specialties during the course of the play. Prices will be 25, 35 and 50 cents.

L. A. W. Consuls Appointed.

George M. Millspaugh, who was the L. A. W. consul in this city until he went to the war with Co. I, has been re-appointed in place of J. H. Clearwater, who held the office during Sergeant Millspaugh's absence.

Frank C. Bond has been re appointed consul at Port Jervis.

Monroe's New Supervisor.

The Town Board of Monroe has appointed Stephen B. Heaten supervisor to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Geo. K. Smith.

Turf and Horse Notes.

—The New York *Sun* says it is reported that a shortening of harness races is likely to occur this season and that it is to be tried at the Orange county circuit races where the best two heats in three will be adopted.

WURTSBORO.

Correspondence of ARGUS and MERCURY.

—The funeral of Lina H., wife of Russell Helm, Jr., who died on Tuesday last, at Denver, Col., will be held at the residence of Russell G. Helm, Wurtsboro, Wednesday, Jan. 18 at 2 p. m.

The Deadly Grip

Is again abroad in the land. The air you breathe may be full of its fatal germs. Don't neglect the "Grip" or you will open the door to pneumonia and consumption and invite death. Its sure signs are chills with fever, headache, dull heavy pains, mucous discharges from the nose, sore throat and never-let-go cough. Don't waste precious time treating this cough with troches, tablets, or poor, cheap syrups. Cure it at once with Dr. King's New Discovery, the infallible remedy for bronchial troubles. It kills the disease germs, heals the lungs and prevents the dreaded after effects from the malady. Price 50 cents and $1. Money back if not cured. A trial bottle free at J. J. Chambers's drug store.

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is due not only to the originality and simplicity of the combination, but also to the care and skill with which it is manufactured by scientific processes known to the CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP Co. only, and we wish to impress upon all the importance of purchasing the true and original remedy. As the genuine Syrup of Figs is manufactured by the CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP Co. only, a knowledge of that fact will assist one in avoiding the worthless imitations manufactured by other parties. The high standing of the CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP Co. with the medical profession, and the satisfaction which the genuine Syrup of Figs has given to millions of families, makes the name of the Company a guaranty of the excellence of its remedy. It is far in advance of all other laxatives, as it acts on the kidneys, liver and bowels without irritating or weakening them, and it does not gripe nor nauseate. In order to get its beneficial effects, please remember the name of the Company—

CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO.
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal.
LOUISVILLE, Ky. NEW YORK, N. Y.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

JAS. P. TIGHE, Commission Broker, Stern Building, 16 North street, Middletown, N. Y.

Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

NEW YORK, Jan. 17, '99.

	Yesterday Close	To-day Close
Sugar	127⅛	127¾
Tobacco	146	148
Chicago Gas	110⅝	111
Nat. Lead	38⅛	38¼
General Electric	99¾	99½
U. S. L., pref	72¼	72
Tenn. Coal and Iron	36⅝	38½
A. T. & S. F.	21⅞	21¾
C. B. & Q.	133	132⅝
C. M. & St. P.	125¼	125
R. I.	117¼	117⅝
D. L. & W.	——	
C. of N. J.	102	101¼
Erie	15⅝	15½
D. and H	112½	112
O. & W.	20	19⅝
Federal Steel	——	53⅛
Susquehanna & West., pref	——	
P. & R.	22⅝	22½
N. W.	144⅞	144
L. S.	-	-
N. Y. C.	125¼	124¾
M. P.	45⅝	45
Texas	18¾	——
U. P.	45¼	45⅝
W. Union	95¼	94
L. & N.	65⅝	65⅝
Manhattan	106⅝	107
P. M.	45¾	45⅞
Wabash, pref	23⅛	22¾
No. Pacific, pref	78⅝	78¼
Metropolitan Traction	192⅝	193½
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	92½	92⅛
Southern, pref	47⅞	47¾
CHICAGO MARKET.		
May Wheat	71¼	70¾
May Corn	37⅛	36⅝
May Oats	27¾	27⅝
May Pork	$10 17	$10 05
May Lard	5 27	5 72

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.
Cures pleurisy and pneumonia in a wonderfully short time. It promptly allays inflammation of the lungs. For sore lungs it is invaluable. Small doses. Price 25 cts.

His Favorite Beverage.

"My husband was troubled with a weak stomach and indigestion. He was obliged to be careful about his diet and could not drink coffee. After taking a few bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla he was entirely cured and coffee is now his favorite beverage." MRS. W. C. SNELL East Creek, New York.

Hood's Pills cure nausea, headache.

"It was almost a miracle. Burdock Blood Bitters cured me of a terrible breaking out all over my body. I am very grateful." Miss Julia Filbridge, West Cornwall, Conn.

ONE CENT A WORD

for each insertion. No advertisement taken for less than 10 cents.

TO LET—Store and fixtures, formerly owned by S. Lipfeld, 25 North street. Enquire of GERSON LIPFELD, at store. 53d6t

NEW Goods at CROSBY'S, 19 West Main St., Saturday morning—A full line of Battenburg braid, rings and thread. Mrs. C. P. Clark's old stand.

BALED Shavings for filling ice houses at HOUSTON BROS'. 54d12t

HONEY—Pure extracted five-pound pail, delivered, C. O. D. for 50 cents. Order by phone or postal. CHESTER BELDING, Cottage street, city. dTu,Fritf

WILL be at my yards Wednesday, Jan. 18th, with twenty-five choice cows—new milkers and forward springers. GEO. GIBBS, Johnson, N. Y. 58d2t

FOR SALE—Handsome new cottage on Albert street, nine rooms, hot air, all modern improvements. BULL & YOUNGBLOOD. 80ldtf

ROOMS TO LET—Six rooms, modern improvements. Enquire 31 Myrtle avenue.

WANTED—Case of bad health that R-I-P-A-N-S will not benefit. Send 5 cents to Ripans Chemical Co., New York, for 10 samples and 1,000 testimonials. 90d1yJly14'99

TO LET—Nice Cottage on Harrison street seven rooms, all modern improvements. Enquire of F. D. YOUNGBLOOD. 61dtf

TWO Store Rooms, also living rooms for rent. Enquire of HOUSTON BROS. 48dtf

19 CENTS for a 14-quart bread pan, with cover, at DAYTON'S.

10 CENTS will buy a 3-quart granite stewing pan, a 3-quart granite preserving kettle or a full sized granite dipper at DAYTON'S.

GUARANTEED to cure la grippe in 24 hours, Chambers' Magic Cold Cure. Sold only at CHAMBERS', Pharmacy, 57 North St., near postoffice.

APPLES!

We have a few barrels of choice Eating and Cooking Apples—Baldwins, Greenings, Seek No Further and Golden Russets.

Fifty Packages Delaware County Dairy Butter.

Prices range as follows—16, 17, 18c., best 20c a lb

Our Choicest Fresh Creamery Butter 23 Cents a Pound.

C. N. PREDMORE & SON

Hudson River Telephone No. 5.
Orange County Telephone No. 92.

Flour, Sugar and BUTTER

Sold at Wholesale Prices to Any One.

SLOAT'S CASH STORE

New-York Life Insurance Company.

JOHN A. McCALL, President.

JANUARY 1, 1899.

ASSETS		$215,944,811
Liabilities, as per certificate of New York Insurance Department		178 068 632
Additional Policy Reserve voluntarily set aside by the company	$ 2,838,626	
Surplus Reserved Funds voluntarily set aside by the company	26,414,234	
Other Funds for all other contingencies	8,623,319	
		37,876,179
Income, 1898		45 431,917
New Insurance paid for in 1898		152,093,369
Insurance in Force		944,021,120

The NEW-YORK LIFE'S Accumulation Policy with Guaranteed Cash Values and Annual Loans contains no restrictions whatever, and only one condition, namely, the payment of premiums. It is incontestable from any cause after one year, allows a month's grace in payment of premiums, a re-instatement within six months if the insured is in good health, and its non-forfeiture provisions are self-acting in case no action is taken by the insured. After the policy has been in force three full years, loans will be made thereon by the company at 5 per cent. interest, or a cash value will be paid.

FOR RATES APPLY TO

W. THATCHER FISH, LOCAL AGENT.
M. J. DUNHAM, LOCAL AGENT.

BUSINESS CARDS.

JOHN DONOVAN, Undertaker and Embalmer 124 North street. Fine coaches to let. Telephone 15. Lady assistant. Open day and night.

I. D. OSTERHOUT, Undertaker and Embalmer 44 James St., Middletown, N. Y. Orange County Telephones—158 residence, 318 office. Hudson River or long distance telephone—No. 301. Branch office—46 Myrtle Ave., Brooklyn. 48 Great Jones St., New York. Lady Assistant.

DOUGHERTY & CAREY, Undertakers and Embalmers, 50 Cottage street, Middletown. Telephone 42, night and day. New York office, 52 Great Jones street. Also long distance telephone. Lady assistant.

FRED O. ROCKAFELLOW, Funeral Director and Embalmer, 99 North street. Telephone No. 3. Lady assistant. New York office 154 East 23d street, with H. E. Taylor & Co.

KNAPP & MERRITT, Undertakers and Embalmers, 42 West Main street corner James, Middletown, N. Y. 58 Great Jones St., New York city. Lady assistant. Telephone Call No. 10.

JOS. VUOLO, 91 Fulton street. Full line of fine shoes. New line of Overshoes of all kinds. Men's and boys' arctics and felt boots for winter. Repairing neatly done while you wait at very reasonable prices. NO. 91 FULTON STREET.

COAL! FORTY carloads sold in thirty days. Low prices will continue at VANFLEET'S.

GET Your Salt Hay, for ice packing, from WOOD & HORTON, 69 West Main St. 51d6t

WILL Exchange city residence for small farm near Middletown. Address EXCHANGE, Box 211, Middletown.

LEWIS WOOD, Auctioneer. Merchandise a specialty. 138 North street. Wed,Satf

FOR One Week We Offer—One pound Dayton's baking powder, one quart bottle best ammonia, two spools Clark's thread and twelve large boxes parlor matches, all for 33c. DAYTON'S.

GRIPPE Cured in 24 hours "sure pop," by using Chambers' Magic Cold Cure, 25c. Sold only at CHAMBERS' Pharmacy, 57 North St., near postoffice.

FOR RENT Cheap until spring. Four rooms first floor, well and cistern. 100 Richmond Terrace. EDWIN S. MERRILL, Atty., Room 8 Times Building.

CROSBY Bought an agent's sample of handkerchiefs, tray cloths, doylies and bibs at 50c on the dollar. The customers will get the benefit of this buy all day Saturday, Jan. 14th.

GRIPPE Cured in 24 hours or your money back. Magic Cold Cure does it, 25c., at CHAMBERS' Pharmacy, 57 North St., near postoffice.

GOOD MUSLIN SIGNS. SENT POSTPAID. Hand painted in oil colors, 1x9, 1½x6, 2x4½ or 3x3 feet, 50c; or 1x18, 1½x12, 2x9 or 3x6 feet, $1. HARDING'S SIGNERY, Wurtsboro, N. Y.

SPECIAL Prices on Velvet Hats and Bonnets—Velvet Hats and Bonnets that have been $1.50 $2 and $2.50 we will sell now for 98c., $1.45 and $1.85. You can select from our stock of ready-made velvet hats, or we will make to order any style you may select at the same low prices; also 5 doz. felt hats, black and colors, that were 50 to 85c., your choice now at 25c. MRS. BUSH, 144 North street.

THE FAIR'S
First Annual January Sale.

Every item here mentioned is cut to the bottom notch. Your duty is to compare them with prices in any other store Of the qualities--You may be sure they're right, else they'd never enter this store

Towels and Toweling

Brown Crash, yard	3c
Bleached Crash, yard	5c
Linen Toweling, yard	6c
Brown all linen, 17 inch	7c
Turkish Bath Towels	10c
All Linen Towels	5 to 25c

NOTION DEPARTMENT.

House Furnishings.

Coffee and Tea Pots, 2 qts.	10c
Double Roasters	25c
Covered and Footed Bread Raisers	19c
Agate Frying Pans, each	10c
Mrs. Pott's Sad Irons, handle and stand, per set	75c
Wood Chopping Bowls	5c
10-quart Galvanized Pail	10c

TIN DEPARTMENT.

Toilet.

Strong Rubber Dressing Combs	5 to 15c
Wood back, wire drawn, Hair Brushes	10 to 49c
Cosmo Buttermilk Soap, per cake	6c
Castile Soap, per cake	1c
Fine Tooth Brushes	5c up

NOTION DEPARTMENT.

Notions.

O. N. T. Crochet Cotton, in white and colors, 200 yds.	4c
Good Pins, 12 papers	10c
Curling Irons, all sizes	1c
Shears, hard steel, strongly tempered	25c
Mourning Pins, 2 boxes	5c
Best grade Hump Hooks and Eyes	3c per card
Clark's 500 yds Spool Cotton	3c
Feather Stitch Braid, 6 yds.	5c
Machine Oil, filtered and stainless, bottle	5c

NOTION DEPARTMENT.

Potter's Floor Oil Cloth	
Table Oil Cloth	
Cedar Tubs, wires welded on, no going to pieces	
Wash Boards	
Wringers	
Wash Benches	
Bissell's Carpet Sweepers	
Good corn 3-stitched Brooms	10c
Copper bottom Boilers	

BASEMENT.

THE ATTRACTION OF OUR STORE IS THE LOW PRICES.

THE SYNDICATE FAIR STORE,
No. 8 East Main Street,
Middletown, N. Y.

REMEMBER WE SELL AS WE ADVERTISE.

Our Annual January Sale of Muslin Underwear!

4,392 pieces of Muslin Underwear in this Great January Offering. Successful storekeeping does not mean gigantic profit; it means doing business continually, constantly selling seasonable goods at such small profits. This is the argument for the thousands of pieces we offer you and you reap the benefit of our close buying No woman can afford to miss this great sale. We advise all our customers to come early while the assortment and sizes are unbroken.

Corset Covers.

252 plain Corset Covers in cambric or fine muslin, sizes 32 to 40; 9c each.

288 Muslin and Cambric Corset Covers, cut V and square shape, trimmed with embroidery, 15c.

240 Corset Covers, made from fine muslin or cambric, trimmed with wide Hamburg, sizes 32 to 38; 19c.

480 Corset Covers in a great variety of styles. You will wonder how they can be made at the price; as long as they last 25c.

360 fine Corset Covers, all handsomely trimmed, mostly blouse shape or new French shape; as long as they last 48c.

Short Skirts.

Six different styles, made plain, tucked and trimmed, with lace or embroidery. For this lot, 29, 34, 48, 69c.

Gowns.

10 dozen plain Muslin Gowns, nicely made and full size; as long as they last 39c.

24 dozen Gowns, six different styles in this lot, all nicely trimmed and full sized. Be sure and get your share, 49c.

12 dozen Gowns, made from extra heavy cotton, some plain, others trimmed; great values for the prices, 59 and 69c.

31 dozen Ladies' Gowns, some trimmed with lace, others trimmed with embroidery and insertion. Must be seen to be appreciated. You will wonder how the trimmings could be bought at the prices, 79, 89, 98c, $1.19, $1.48.

White Skirts.

Ten different styles in this great assortment, made from fine muslin, all umbrella shape, at 39, 49, 79, 89, 98c, $1.19, $1.39, $1.48.

Drawers.

240 pairs Muslin Drawers, made from good muslin, with extra wide ruffle tucked, 19c pair.

240 pair fine Muslin Drawers, could not be better made, with extra wide ruffle of cambric, hemstitched; 25c pair.

120 pair Umbrella Drawers, trimmed with fine embroidery; while they last 29c pair.

120 pair fine Umbrella Drawers, made from fine cambric, trimmed with lace and insertion; for this sale 39c.

Fine Umbrella Drawers, made from fine muslin or cambric, handsomely trimmed, in a great variety of styles, 49c.

Outing Underwear.

Ladies' Gowns. Ladies' Short Skirts, Men's Night Shirts and Children's Gowns and Night Drawers at our special low prices.

Our Annual January Sale of Housekeeping Goods!

This is the time of the year every good housekeeper lays in her stock of Housekeeping Goods By watching the market and buying and selling for spot cash, we are able to offer you goods that every one who needs such goods can afford to buy their whole year's supply at this Great January Offering. We quote a few of the many bargains we have that will pay you to come miles to get rather than miss the chance of getting your share

Table Linen.

25 pieces for this great sale, the way the linen market is about the wholesale prices.

58 inch half-bleached Table Linen, cost more to import; as long as they last 25c.

58 inch bleached Table Damask, not one thread of linen in it, but great goods to wear, 25c yard.

72 inch bleached Union Table Linen, only one pattern in this 5 piece lot, but a bargain, 40c yard.

72 inch, all linen, bleached Table Damask, the best value that will be shown by any firm this year, 50c yard.

Sheets and Pillow Cases.

5-4 Bleached Hemstitched Pillow Cases made from yard cotton, 10c.

5-4 Bleached Pillow Cases, no better cotton made, finished with beading, washed and ironed, 12c or $1.25 dozen.

8-4 and 9-4 Bleached Sheets, made from fine cotton, all washed and ironed, 35 and 40c each.

Towels.

Hotels and barbers ought to take advantage of the great offering sale as well as housekeepers.

25 dozen Union Linen Towels, sizes 13x25, 7c each or 75c dozen.

15 dozen all Linen Huck Towels, size 19x30, 10c each.

15 dozen extra heavy unbleached Bath Towels, as long as they last, 10c, size 19x36.

50 dozen all Linen Towels, extra large and heavy, three different styles, 15c each.

25 dozen Fancy Towels, all pure linen in eight different kinds, fringed and hemstitched, as long as they last, 19 to 25c.

Men's White Shirts.

25 dozen Men's 69c Night Shirts made from the very best cotton and trimmed with finishing braid, as long as they last 50c.

25 dozen Men's White Dress Shirts, sold as the Davis Special, made with a split neck band, felled seams, cut full size and perfect fitting, as long as they last, 50c.

Bed Spread.

White Bed Spreads bought in October and held for this great January sale. There are three kinds, all hemmed, ready for use. Come and see them and you will feel that you should at least buy one-half dozen.

150 10-4 White Spread, all hemmed, ready for use, well worth 69c, at 49c.

128 11-4 $1 White Spread, all hemmed, ready for use, for this sale 75c.

56 11-4, extra heavy $1.50 White Quilts, one of the best values ever shown by any firm, $1.19.

Domestics.

Extra heavy unbleached cotton, full yard wide, 5c yard.

Fine yard wide Bleached Muslin, nameless, but one of the best made, 5c.

9-4 Bleached Sheeting, five pieces in this lot, as long as it lasts, 15c yard.

Fine Wool Blankets, extra size, silk bound, $3.98 pair.

Fine Comfortables, filled with white batten, as good as homemade, $1.39, $1.48.

240 Flannelette Wrappers, made in one style, in eight different colorings, bound seams, well worth $1; for this great JANUARY SALE 79c. Sizes 32, 34, 36, 38, 40.

HART DAVIS, NO. 45 NORTH STREET.